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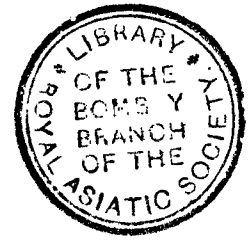

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LETTERS TO TELLICHERRY
1739-40

(VOLUME No. 4.)

To WILLIAM WAKE ESQR.
CHIEF &CA. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

SIR & SIRS,

The want of an Opportunity has hindred us acknowledging the receipt of your favour of the 25th. of April which we received the 28th. with the Thirty Military you then returned us, and what any of them may be indebted to your Officers for rice, on receipt of the account we will take care shall be duly discharg'd.

Our Gunner having represented to us ye. Carriages on the Works as very old and decay'd, & a great many of them entirely past any Service, we desire you will order us the Quantity (as Pr. Enclos'd Indent) of Teak Plank and, as it is very likely there may be Munchua's comeing from Callicutt early in the Season this way, we should be glad you wou'd put on Board any small Parcell at a time, If no other conveyance offers, as we may have a little to begin with as soon as we can.

The rice you sent us down last Febry. being very rotten, we have not gott rid of it all as yett, but hope we shall by the middle of next month, which is the time they begin to cut the Batty here & as there is a very promising Crop, we have been oblig'd to sell the rice, at four Anjengo Dungoys for a new fanam & tho' with difficulty, we hope to gett off the whole at that price altho' it is so very bad and foul. The Account of which you will receive as soon as we have clear'd our Warehouse of it.

The 18th. Instant we had Advices from Madrass that only two of our Honble. Masters Ships was Arrived there the 14th. of June which was the Shaftsbury & Duke of Lorrain, but we presume you have heard from thence long before this.

We have now in Warehouse Four hundred Candys of Pepper and forty nine Bales of the Investment, which we apprehend will be all the former we shall be able to gett in of this Years Crop, we have Contracted for Eleven thousand peices of Cloth and we are in hopes most of it will be ready before January, but as there is no relying on Mallabar promises we may be Disappointed, but we shall take care to Advice you in time what Quantity of Tonnage we may have by us. We are

SIR & SIRS
Your most Humble Servants.

ANJENGO.
JULY THE 24TH. 1739.
RECD. PR. PATTAMAR.
THE 9TH. OF AUGT. 1739.

CHARLES WHITEHILL.
JAMES SALISBURY.
THOMAS PATTLE.
THOMAS LANE.

To William Wake Esq[r].

Chief &c[a]. Factors at Tellicherry.

Sirs

Enclos'd We send you Duplicate of our last ℔ Harwich, which was to be forwarded to you from Madrass, having only your's of the 9[th]. of April to reply to, which We received the 15[th]. May last with the Papers and Accounts enclosed.

We shall make up here the Acco[t]. Short Delivery from the Rose which must be owing to Pilferage in the Lading and unlading; which is an ill we have not hitherto been able to precaution sufficiently against.

You have herewith enclos'd our Warehouse Receip[t] for the Rice sent up from your Place; and our wants being now sufficiently supply'd, We are pleas'd you gave Domingo Rodregues leave to dispose of the Surplusage you mention.

We take notice of the Quantity of Pepper you have in Warehouse, and are in hopes of procuring; On which Article there remains nothing to say, but to recommend to you in general, the making as large a Provision of that Commodity as you possibly can.

We approve of your Management with Ragonat, and by the advice received here of the King of Bednures Death, are in hopes he will have it no longer in his Power to embroil the Country, and pursue his distructive Schemes, And that consequently you will be able to conclude Matters, on the footing of the Peace made with Surapaya, or such Terms as may ensure the Quiet and Interest of your Settlement. Your sending up the Neptune's Prize and Gallevats was very agreable to us; As in these Times, we can ill spare any Part of our Sea force from the immediate Service of the Presidency.

We are but too sensible of Prince Cuni Homo's usual Dilatoriness in matters of Payments; But we wou'd have you by no means slacken your Endeavours or Sollicitations to recover from him what you can of his Debt to our Hoñ[ble]. Masters.

We have made good to M[r]. Say his Expence of Provisions for the Men you sent up with him in the Martha Grab.

We shall, We hope receive by the first conveyance the compleat Number of Lances and Spunge Staves ordered from hence, with an Account of their Cost. At the same time We direct that you provide and send up fifty maunds of good Candles on the Hoñ[ble]. Company's Account being for the use of our Marine.

The Poon Masts you have provided being much wanted for Service here, we would have you keep them in readiness at Tellicherry for the first Europe Ship to take in, that is bound hither: And that we may meet with no disappointment in an Article of this Concern; We enclose you a positive Order open & directed to the Commander of any Europe Ship to take the same on board, providing the best Stowage practicable, which you will Seal and deliver to the first that shall touch at your Settlement, and see that you enforce Compliance therewith.

For the reasons you mention, We confirm the Discharge granted to Domingo Rodregues, and your appointment of his Eldest Son Pedro Rodregues to succeed him in his Office, which we hope he will act in, with the same Application and Fidelity as his Father has done.

We will take care to supply you with a Mas[r]. Carpenter and Mason for the carrying on the Building of the Banksall ordered, which we expect shall be compleated in the best manner to answer the end it is designed for.

The Prize money arising from the Seizure on board a Munchua freighted by the Cannarees is ordered to be duly divided to those who have a share in the Capture for the amount of which received into your Cash being Rupees Two thousand and one we shall debt your Settlement. We approve entirely your caution in your Proceedure with regard to the Boat brought in by the round Munchua.

We transmit you enclosed Copy of the Paragraphs of our Hon^ble. Masters Letter by the Harrington relating to the issuing of Passes which you are to conform yourselves duly to And for your Guidance We send you the Form of a Certificate now in use from this Presidency.

We are

SIRS
Your loving Friends.

B'BAY CASTLE,
THE 10^TH. AUGUST 1739.
REC^D. P^R. SHAWALLUM.
THE 27^TH. AUG^T. 1739.

STEPHEN LAW.
CHARLES RIGBY.
THO^S. STONESTREET.
JN^O. GEEKIE.
JOHN MORLEY.

To WILLIAM WAKE ESQ^R.
CHIEF &C^A. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

SIRS

On the 15^th. Instant came to hand your Advices of the 27^th. May last with the several Papers & Accounts agreable to the List, which we shall reply to at more leisure, being at present fully taken up with the Dispatches on hand for the Defence, and other necessary Provisions on the Arrival of our Hon^ble. Masters Ship Hoeslingfield, who imported here the 15^th. Inst^t.

Enclosed you will receive Copys of sundry Paragraphs of their Commands relating to your Settlement. Their Directions in the 37^th. Paragraph p^r Haeslingfield require your especial Attention; And We do not doubt of your exerting your utmost care & management to answer their Expectations.

We are

Your loving Friends
STEPHEN LAW.
CHARLES RIGBY.
JN^O. GEEKIE.
THO^S. STONESTREET.
JOHN MORLEY.
WILL^M. SEDGWICK.

B'BAY CASTLE,
THE 16^TH. AUGUST 1739.
REC^D. P^R. SHAWALLUM.
THE 27^TH. AUG^T. 1739.

To WILLIAM WAKE ESQ^R.
CHIEF &C^A. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

GENTLEMEN

We have receed your Severals of the 27^th. May and 29^th. June accompanying your Packets for the Presidency of Bombay which were forwarded a few days after they were received: The last Packet came to us opened which the Peons tell us was by Persons they met on the road who robbed them of thirty Rupees, for the future We desire your Packets may be made up in smaller Parcells which also will be more convenient for the carriage from hence to Bombay; The Shroffs having complain'd much that the two last Packets were very bulky. The 28^th. May Arriv'd Our Hon^ble. Masters Ship Shaftesbury as did the Duke of Lorrain the 11^th. June, the Normanton and Grantham came in the 20^th. past & last Night Anchor'd in our Road the Somerset all from England.

If the Defence calls upon you in her way home we desire you will putt on board her the enclos'd Packet directed for our Hon^{ble}. Masters We are,

GENTLEMEN
Your most humble Servants.

FORT S^{T}. GEORGE.
2^{D}. AUGUST 1739.

RICH^{D}. BENYON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
AUG : BURTON.
NIC : MORSE.
W. MONSON.
GEO : TORRIANO.
JOHN SANDERSON

TO WILLIAM WAKE ESQ^{R}.
CHIEF &C^{A}. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

SIRS

We wrote you a Short Letter by the Shawallum enclosing you several paragraphs of our Hoñble Masters Commands by the Shipping of this Season relating to your Settlement, the Advices of which under Date of the 27 of May last, we have had under Consideration, and now summarily reply to.

We observe your proceedings with regard to the Ships Harrington & Resolution, the latter we have reason (from Certain overland Advices to apprehend for her Safety being Seen off the Braces at the Mouth of the Ganges) in the Height of a Storm that happened in Bengall the 2^{d}. June last.

We have nothing to add to our Generall Orders for the Increase of your Investment of pepper as much as possible towards which (that you may be fully Supplyed with Cash for all Contingencys) we Consign you Forty Thousand Rupees on this Ship as ℔ Bill of Lading enclosed.

The Mark of protection you gave Chatoo Chitty (who was so Considerable Debtor to our Hoñble Masters) in sending Ens^{n}. Henry Fisher with a party to defend his Houses &c from the Attempts of prince Ocou, was very right, both as it secured the Hoñ. Companys Interest in his Safety, and Served to keep up the Credit of our protection to the Merchants that deals with us, and because it tended to Support the Government of prince Cunhi Homo, for whenever that fails, tis very notorious a Number of upstarts will Arise, tending to embarrass the Adjacent Country.

We approve of the answer you gave to Ragonauts proposal for your Sending a Covenanted Servant, and hope the Country will Soon be rid of that Chief Author and promoter of all the Disturbances on your part of the Coast.

As We have thoughts of Sending down one of our Hoñble Masters Ships to bring up the Masts & Timber expected from your Settlement, at all Events, let them be held in readiness for Shipping without loss of Time.

We think the Conjuncture you mention a very sufficient reason for your maintainance of Putinha Fort in the manner you write us, and leave the Continuance or Demolition of it to your discretion as the Charges of your Garrison do not appear to be encreased by it.

We are fully Convinced of the Expedience of preserving some sort of Settlement at Callicutt, for the Benefit and Security of our Hoñble Masters Int^{t}. at that place, & therefore Confirm anew the leave given from hence the 12 May 1733 for rebuilding a Factory there, which you will take Care Shall not exceed the Terms there limitted, as we apprehend there is no Occasion for any Costly Buildings or Lodgments.

M^{r}. Pattle expressing a Willingness to Stay at Anjengo, M^{r}. Byfeld may remain with you, as we desire also M^{r}. Verelst may, We having no Supply of Servants this Season to enable us to Spare a proper Substitute to Send down in his room.

Capt. Sterling has our leave to repair hither, and we appoint Ensn. Fisher (agreeable to your Recommendation) to the Command of his Company Mr. Henry Kendall has likewise leave to Come up, but we think the Topass who murdered his Wife Cannot so properly be tried here for the Fact, & therefore you may Consider whether it will not be best to leave him to the Malabar Justice.

Mr. Rose your Surgeons Mate has our leave likewise to Come up, and we will Supply you with one in his room, if procureable here,. . . Your Gunners mate Rous will never do here, and therefore we imagine he had better be Sent to England (which you have our Leave to do) if his misbehaviour Continues.

You are to write Off to Account Current Bombay the Amount of the Freighters of the Bombay Merchants Credit on your Books, as well as Antoo Naiques being their Dividends of what recovered from the Cannarees, the Formers Demand having been already paid here, and the latter being litigated we shall see to the Discharge of according to justice.

We approve of your management with regard to Porticarem Paqui Owner of the Munchua Seized and redelivered on the Terms and for the Reasons you mention.

We hope the Samorine will (agreeable to the Hopes given us) Soon effectually Clear his Accots. and we approve of your advancing Money to Cuniseu early for the provision of Cardemoms.

We wish the French may deal fairly and upon the Square with you in keeping to their promise of Acting in Concert with you for lowering the price of pepper, as we are Sensible of the good Effect Such an Union would have in the proposed reduction.

We have at Mr. Stonestreets request accepted his Bill (which goes enclosed dated the 3d. Instt.) on the Chief payable to you at eight days Sight for Rupees Seven Thousand value Issued to him out of the Treasury here, which you are to tender, and on Receipt Credit our presidency for the Amount.

We have wrote to Surat for a Carpenter & Bricklayer to Supply your Occasions, and as Soon as they are ready we Shall Send them down. We Cannot by this Conveyance furnish you your Stores and medicines indented for, but you will receive a Supply of the Sorts of Stationary Ware to be had here, or that Can possibly be Spared at present, our own Supplys falling very Short of the Demands for it.

You may receive of Capt. Coates any Money he may desire to pay into your Cash, & give him Certificates to the amount, he making Oath according to the Orders before Sent you in such Cases.

We are
Your Loving Friends
STEPHEN LAW.
CHARLES RIGBY.
JOHN GEEKEE.
THOS. STONESTREET.
JOHN MORLEY.
WM. SEDGWICKE.

BOMBAY CASTLE.
THE 4TH. SEPTEMR. 1739.

P. S. You are to Comply with the enclosed Indent of Stores from our Land paymaster.

RECD ℔ DEFENCE.
17 SEPR. 1739.

TO WILLIAM WAKE ESQR.
CHIEF &CA. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

WORSPLL. SIR & SIRS

The present Situation of Affairs here require our early acquainting the Honble president and Council of Bbay, and as you have frequently Shibars in Octr. bound to the Northward the Accompanying packet we request may be forwarded by the first Conveyance.

Account Sale of the Penany Rice Comes now Inclosed Amounting to Rupees One Thousand one hundred sixty nine, one quarter and sixty seven raes. and for which Sum you now likewise receive a Bill drawn on William Wake Esqr. We

used our best endeavours in the Sale, but the Rice was So decayed and So very deficient in measure it would not produce more.

The King of Travencore has lately engaged himself in a very entangled Affair by taking possession of the Dominions of Changanaut. The Dutch thinking themselves Concerned have drawn the Contiguous powers into an Allyance with them. Their Scheme is to persue [*sic*] the King to Bocala, and the sea shore from thence to Quilone is to be settled on them. . . We have recd a very threatning Letter from the Commodore & Council of Cochin importing that if we Assist the King of Travencore the powers in Allyance may think themselves injured and enter Attinga and Shew us their resentment. In the Articles of peace proposed by the Dutch & Allyes they insist upon the Kings giving up the pepper Trade of Attinga. We are Constantly importuned for our Assistance and the King has promised our Hoñble Masters the whole Trade of his Dominions, but at present we are not in a Capacity and wait for Orders from the presidency.

Last Night we received your favour of the 7th. Instant and Ensn. Fondell and Serjeant Frazier will leave this place in the time you have Appointed.

We being in want of Wax for Wax Cloth for our Bales we desire you will purchase for us One Candy.

Mr. Richard Sanders now repairs to your Settlement Conformable to a permission granted him by the Hoñble president and Council of Bombay.

We are
WORSPLL. SIR & SIRS
Your most Obedient Hum. Servan[ts]

CHARLES WHITEHILL.
JAMES SALISBURY.
RICHARD SANDERS.
THOMAS LANE.

ANJENGO.
OCT. THE 22D. 1739.
REC'D ℔ MR. SANDERS.
OCT. THE 26TH. 1739.

TO WILLIAM WAKE ESQR.
CHIEF &C. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

SIR & SIRS,

The 27th. Instant the Northern Forces Joined with the Dutch, Attackt the King of Travencore on his own Frontier, and as they are daily increasing in their power, we are to [*sic*] apprehensive of their Success and entering into Attinga... We have received some threats as well as met with Several little Instances of their dislike, which makes it highly necessary for us to put ourselves in the best posture of Defence we Can, Shou[ld] we not be able to make them our Friends on their entering the Country, and which we may be Sure our very good Neighbours will prevent if in their powers.

Our Stock of Gun powder is so very Small and that but bad, that we must beg your Assistance of Twentyfive Barrells and please to let a Couple of them be Europe fine, as we have none for Small Arms, and a Thousand or five hundred good Flints, we beg you'l send as we have not any fit for Service.

We are Obliged to keep a few Men both at Eddava and Brinjohn, and as there is none in our Limits for us to entertain, we are now to request your Assistance in Sending us Thirty good Topasses by these Vessells which we now dispatch to you for that purpose and please to Load on the Munchua Three Hundred Bales of Rice, or as much as She Can Conveniently take in, As She must bring best part of the Topasses. and we must entreat your Quick Despatch of these Vessells.

We have Sent a Serjeant on board the Pinget and a Corporal on board the Sloop to Command the people down here.

We Should be glad if you would send the Timber we Indented for by the first Opportunity, as we are much in want of it.

We Omitted Informing you in our last that Mr. Sanders's Sallary was paid to the 31st. of July last, and Diet Money to the 30th. of last Month.

We are

ANJENGO
OCTOBER THE 31ST. 1739.

SIR & SIRS
Your most Humble Servants.

RECD ℔ NEPTUNE SMACK.
NOVR. THE 9TH. 1739.

CHARLES WHITEHILL.
JAMES SALISBURY.

To WILLIAM WAKE ESQR.
CHIEF &C. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

SIRS

We Wrote you by our Hoñble Mastrs. Ship the Defence under Date of the 4. Sept. last, Since which on the 15th. of the same Month, Came to hand yours of the 29th. of June last, with Duplicate of your Letter of the 27th May last, &c papers & Accounts enclosed agreeable to the List.

We express in our last an Intention to send down one of our Hoñble Masters Ships to bring up the Masts and Timber that have lain at your Settlemt. and Callicutt waiting for a Conveyance up, but the lateness of the Season, and other Circumstances Concurring to Disappoint us of this Design we Can only Send down the Rose Galley whom we have appointed to return in Convoy to our Hoñble Masters Ship expected from Bengal whether the Warwick or Resolution in Case She is safe having yet received no Certain News of her being lost though there is too much reason to apprehend it.

On the Arrival of this Galley you may Employ her to bring up forthwith what Timber She Can take in for the use of this presidency from Callicut but with this Condition Strictly, that this Service may be done in Time So as by no means to retard her dispatch in Company with the Europe Ship, whose Departure you are to hasten as much as in you lyes.

We can for the present give no other Directions in regard to the Masts lying at your settlement, for their Conveyance up than the provision in our Letter of the 10th. August last, though if in failure thereof any other means should offer, we should be glad you would embrace them.

We are sorry to learn by advices from the Chief, to the President 1st. September last & communicated to Us, that the French are embroil'd with the Neighbouring powers & hope by the Care you have taken your settlement may escape being affected by them to its Disadvantage.

We observe by your advices that you will have about two thousand, two hundred Candys of pepper in readiness for Export on our Hoñble Masters demands about the months of September & October; & we now repeat our injunctions that you omit no endeavours to secure as great a quantity of this commodity as you can concerning which you are to take especial notice of our Hoñble Masters expectations & commands in this matter, as they are contain'd in the 37th. paragraph of their Generall Lettr. to Us ℔ Haeslingfield dated the 2d. March 1738, Copy of which has been transmitted you.

We shall in our first Advices to Bengall require a strict account to be taken of those Gentlemen mention'd in your last Letter of the 29th. of June last for their slight or Neglect of paying the Dutys on the pepper which we expect you will continue to enforce a punctual compliance with, or advise Us of such as shall presume to evade them.

You have in our last of the 4th. Sepr. our leave for settling about the Factory at Callicutt & as soon as or before you have got the Materials in any competent readiness we would have You frame a plan of the Work & Estimate of the Expence as near as you can, to be transmitted here, for our laying the same before our Hoñble Masters agreeable to their late standing order & Direction in Case of setting about any Building on their Account.

We have not been able to entertain a Doctor's Mate for the service of your settlement not having even sufficient of that profession to supply the immediate Occasions of the Presidency here. If you meet with any person fit for your service in that Capacity whom you may approve of to supply the place of Mr. Rose in case He chooses to come up, you have our leave to accept him, & advise us thereof.

Our Paymaster here will pay to Mr. George Dudley the money advanced Lewis Veriott, agreeable to the Representation in yours of the 27th. May & as soon as Abraham Wrights Account is settled with his Captain the Remainder shall be ordered him.

Since the transmitting to you the Form of a Certificate enclos'd with ours of the 10th. August we are come to a Resolution not to affix the Honble Companys Seal to any such Certificates which you are likewise to observe; It is enough that the Chief signs them & for the future in all the price Currents you send Us, see that the Averdupoize Weights of Candys Maunds & Pull ... be not omitted being expressly required by Our Honble Masters.

We send you down on this Vessel all the Stores we could spare you, according to your several Indents as ℔ Invoice & Bill of Lading enclosed,& on a Calculate of your probable Demands of Cash untill February next we have thought fit to send you down on this vessel a supply of twenty thousand Rupees.

You will in conformity to the 61st. Paragraph of Our Honble Masters commands of the 2d. March last (Copy whereof has been transmitted you) entertain Mr. George Hamilton in the service on his arrival with you, & we hope he will fully answer their expectations on this their readmission of him. And in case you choose to send up Mr. Verelst you may.

It was wrote us from Surat that the Carpenters designed for your Settlement were actually come down by the last Conveyance from thence but they did not, so that we must wait to supply you by another opportunity. We are

SIRS
Your Loving Friends
STEPHEN LAW.
THOS. WALTERS.
JNO. GEEKIE.
THOS. STONESTREET.
JNO. MORLEY.

BOMBAY CASTLE.
THE 1ST. NOVEMBER 1739.

RECD. ℔ ROSE GALLEY.
NOVEMBR. YE. 14TH. 1739.

TO WILLIAM WAKE ESQR.
CHIEF &CA. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

SIRS

We write you under Date of this Day by the Emelia sloop which is preparing with all Expedition to proceed down to you, but for the quicker dispatch of our Advices to your hands We now send you a Boat Express with the enclosed Duplicates for your Settlement & Anjango, to which on receipt you will instantly forward the Packquet directed thither which comes with this.

We are
SIRS
Your loving Friends,
STEPHEN LAW.
JNO. GEEKIE.
THOS. STONESTREET.
JNO. MORLEY.

BOMBAY CASTLE.
THE 23D. NOVEMBER 1739.

RECD. ℔ EXPRESS BOAT.
DECEMBER 2D. 1739.

To William Wake Esq^R^.
Chief &c^A^. Factors at Tellicherry.

Sirs

We wrote you by the Rose Galley, dispatched to your Settlement under Date of the 1^t^. inst^t^. since which we on the 15^th^. & 16^th^. instant received your several Advices by three Conveyances of the 24^th^. & 26^th^. Ultimo and 3^d^. Instant coming safe to hand with all the papers, Copies and Accounts exprest in the Lists accompanying each Pacquet. To all which We now reply.

We observe the Account you give Us of the Dane Ship, whereof the late M^r^. Charles Barrington was Supra Cargoe as well as that contain'd in the narrative of Richard Murray Surgeon of the Ship, and you will do well to send him up, as you propose by the first Conveyance, to give a further Account here for Our Hoñble Masters satisfaction.

We find by your State of outstanding Pepper of the last years contract that there remain two hundred fifty five Candys and five Maunds to be brought in, which We hope you will by all means speed the recovery of, as you are sensible how much in Demand that Commodity is for the Tonnageing of the several ships we may expect on our hands: & the Ship Duke which you advise Us by Authority from Madrass may probably be consigned to you for a lading is an additional one, which we had made no allowance for not having any intimation of it before yours.

The unmercantile & extravagant measures the French have taken in their contracts for Pepper at such advanced prices as you advise Us, notwithstanding Mons^r^. Dirois the French Chief at Myhie (as you say in your Letter of the 27^th^. May last) his repeated Assurances to you of not advancing on the price of Pepper this season, give us but an indifferent opinion of their proceedure & meaning or of their intentions to keep the Agreement entered into with you, for keeping the Price down this ensueing season to Seventy Eight Rupees, which is a method of preventing all the ill consequences of a Competition for that Commodity, we should always approve of, being visibly for the interest of our Employers, & must produce the like advantages to theirs, if they either understand their own interest or were willing to pursue it, But in the manner they proceed, it is plain they are ready to relinquish their own advantage & enter upon any measures contrary to it, provided they can at the same time cause our interest to suffer by it.

This leads us to take notice of the part we find by your Advices, they are playing, by raising & fomenting a quarrel with the Nombiers on so trifleing a Pretence into which they have enter'd themselves & engaged Confederates, without giving you previous notice of their intentions, And their whole Behaviour and Conduct on this Occasion plainly discovers their having ill designs against the trade and priviledges of our Hoñble Masters at your Settlement, which they mean to carry on by making these Country Powers the instruments of their Encroachments and Usurpation, to which we are convinced they would set no bounds, if not timely seen through and prevented.

You did right and we approve of the Chiefs conduct in seeking first to restore tranquility & peace between the contending Parties, by interposing his mediation and good Offices for that purpose, though the unequal Conduct of the French in sending Proposals of their own accord, and abruptly resuming them, whilst they went on with their hostilities, shews a temper so fickle and untractable that we recommend to you nothing more than to be in guard as well against their Artifices & underhand management as the open Force they may employ in the pursuit of their Projects.

On your Reference to the President concerning your present Posture of Affairs He confirms & explains the nature of your situation & the Dangers to the Privileges & Trade of our Hoñble Masters at your Settlement, agreeable to what you represent in yours of the 24^th^. Octob^r^. so that we concur with your opinion, that in Case of the French subjecting the Nombiers, they might afterwards do the same by Cotata, and then all together fall on the Prince Cunhi Homo (who without being strenuously assisted would in all likelyhood not be able to withstand them) in which Event the

ill consequences to our Hoñble Master's Interest at your Settlement appear clear and evident. We do not therefore consider this quarrel as merely a Contention betwixt the Country Powers, but a formed Design by the French for paving a Way to get by means of it, such a Footing in the Countrys from whence Our pepper is extracted, as may if not duely & timely opposed, supplant or destroy the Profession of our Priviledges & Emoluments in them.

Considering therefore that we are in Duty bound to support all our Hoñble Masters just Priviledges and Rights & oppose any Encroachments on, or measures prejudicial, to their Interest and Concerns. We accordingly agree to give you the following Directions.

If you find the French still proceed in their invasions, and continue pushing such measures, as tend to endanger our Hoñble Masters Trade and Interest, after trying ineffectually all pacifick and amicable means for putting a stop to them, you are to protest against them for all Damages that may be sustained by the Hoñble Company by reason of such their proceedings & all such measures pursued by them as are contrary to the Rights & Priviledges of our nation in those parts; And at the same time they cannot complain of our supporting the Prince, or our Allies, And you have accordingly our Leave to engage in such measures, as may be absolutely necessary for the preservation of your trade and interest which must be done with the utmost Caution and Reserve. We shall not like the French Shew little regard to the Expence, neither shall we grudge what it is strictly requisite for your Protection and the Defence of the trusts committed to you, whilst that Necessity continues. The measure of your charges to be incurred cannot well be fixed here, but must be governed by the exigences, and Occasions, which must be left to your Direction and Judgement, and we do not doubt of your keeping strictly in view our Hoñble Masters sense and Orders against the least encrease of their Expence where it may any ways be avoided.

We think therefore you judged right in refusing the Princes offer of a number of men, which would have brought on such an enormous Expence, as five hundred Rupees ℔ Diem, but as far as a proper encouragement to him or the Nombiers, to persist in the Defence of their Country and our privileges, with a Competent assistance on your part of Military Stores and such helps as your Settlement can afford towards preventing their becomeing a Prey to the French or subservient to their Power & Will, We shall approve of your furnishing therewith, or with the issue of such a sum as may draw off those now engaged on the French side, provided it be within a tolerable Compass so as to answer the end of opposing any encroachments of the French that may hurt or lessen the Hoñble Comp: Interest in your Settlement.

We empower you likewise to settle and conclude with the Nombiers such terms and Articles of Agreement as you shall judge most advantageous to the Honble Company giving them such countenance & Support as you may think necessary. We have perused their Ola dated the 7th. September last, by which We observe their disposition to enter into a Defensive & Offensive League, & You will do well to improve it, so as to answer the abovemention'd purposes.

The Prince ought surely to resent the Behaviour of his Vassals to him, as well as that of the French, who encourage & spirit them up against his Interest & Authority But as we have often experienced his Slackness & Indolence when his Country was before at Stake during the Canaree Invasion, It will require your best care & attention, as well to keep him Steddy [*sic*] & firm to your Interest, which is in truth inseparable from his, as to animate him to use his best Endeavours to suppress these Commotions in the Country, before they go too far, or concurr effectualy in the Defence and Preservation of your common concerns.

We are entirely against accepting a Grant from the Nombiers of any part of their Country to raise a Fortification in, both for the reasons you mention in your Letter of the 3d. Instant, & because such a Step would furnish the French with a Pretext for jealousy, as well as of Grounds to procure the like, as they seem by yours to be desirous of obtaining a Fort at Poyterah which we are sensible must be the worst Consequences to our Hoñble Masters Trade, And you will do well

therefore by all means to spirit up the Prince Cuni Homo and the Nombiers to oppose it to oppose it [*sic*] to the utmost as that Situation commands such an Extent, as would greatly affect your Draughts of Pepper out of those Districts, And you on your parts are to protest against their fortifying in a Country, which ought to be free and open.

With regard to the Fort of Putinha which we observe You have reenforced during these Troubles, We leave the Disposal therein entirely to your Discretion; And if the French relinquish their unreasonable Pretensions, & the Demolition of it will be any ways serviceable towards a fair accommodation of all matters, we shall approve of your razeing it, and taking away thereby any Pretext it may afford them for Umbrage or Complaint.

We are pleased the French were dissapointed in the Scheme they had laid for building a Fort, in the King of Poniture's Country, and notwithstanding their renewal of a Promise of Settling there, we hardly believe they will attempt or at least succeed in it. As the Dutch know the Effects of their Neighbourhood too well, not to oppose their gaining a Footing any where near them where they can help it.

Our Concern for the present embroiled State of the Country round your Settlement is somewhat compensated by the advice you give us, of having nothing to fear from the Carnatick Goverment [*sic*], & that you expect soon to come to an happy Conclusion with Surapaya, now in Command of their Army at Madday.

We observe there was no Pepper Procurable at Mangulore, & the Twenty Candys at Onore being priz'd at upwards of Ninety Rupees ℔ Candy and on Consideration of the Price it generally bears there, and the Risques of getting it down to your Settlement, as likewise there being too inconsiderable a quantity commonly produced there to direct a Ship thither to take it in, We shall decline giving you any Orders about the Price, as there is at present no likelyhood of its falling in those places, nor any suitable Encouragement for sending a Servant thither to make any Contract or Purchases.

We approve of your timely advancing money to the Cardamom Merchants, and hope it will have the desired effect.

We are advised from Surat, by Letter the 26th. Ultimo, that two Carpenters would be sent you by a Ship belonging to Moses Tobias, which was to sail in a few Days for the Malabar Coast, but as they had omitted through mistake engageing a Mason for your service, we have directed the Gentlemen there to procure you one to be sent you likewise.

We acquiesce in the Composition for time you have made with the Heirs of Chatoo Chitty and hope you will recover the whole Debt in due Season. For the rest the shewing a proper tenderness & regard for the Family of the deceased, without prejudice to Our Honble Masters is right on many accounts.

We must be content for the reasons you mention to wait the compleating our Indents, which we do not doubt you will continue your Care to hasten as the Articles are much wanted.

This Conveyance, besides the service She is dispatched on to carry you these Advices, is to proceed directly to Anjengo, as we have no other to send them a supply of Stores by, which they are in immediate want of at that Settlement, and being too small to carry all the necessary, We direct you will see and supply them as you best may, with the whole or such a part of the enclosed Indent as you can well spare (for which by the first Conveyance, we shall allow and make up to you) for with all helps & Assistance they may require & you can Spare. And besides they being in want of Cash, In Order to save the Risque of the Coast down to you; We order that you send on board this vessel, consigned to the Chief & Factors at Anjengo, on account & Risque of Our Honble Masters the Sum of thirty thousand Rupees or more, if you can spare it without the prospect of any great inconviency [*sic*], untill we can spare you a fresh supply, which shall be done by the first opportunity.

We have given the Gentlemen at Anjengo leave to take out of the Harrington touching thither in her return from China, what Gold belonging to the Stock may

serve their Occasions or turn to Account. And for the remains if you judge it will answer better at Tellicherry than here we give you the Like Lattitude and enclose you an Order on the Captain or Supra Cargoes of said Ship for the Delivery of the Quantity you may require.

We are

SIRS
Your Loving Friends
STEPHEN LAW.
JNO. GEEKIE.
THOS. STONESTREET.
JNO. MORLEY.

BOMBAY CASTLE
Duplicate.
NOVR. YE. 23D. 1739.
RECD. ℔ EXPRESS BOAT
DECR. YE. 2D. 1739

To WM. WAKE ESQR.

CHIEF &CA. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

SIRS

We have rece'd your several favours of the 31st. October, the 10th. 11th. & 20th. Instant, with Duplicate of that of the 31t. Ultº. with the several papers relating thereunto.

We return you thanks for your speedy forwarding Our General advices to Bombay, & for sending to our Assistance the Men we wrote for; We have likewise rece'd from your Linguister at Callicutt, the Teak Plank we requested you to provide, amounting to Rupees Two Hundred & twelve, three Quarters & Eleven Raes, and shall allow one Hundred Rupees for the freight thereof. The Rice, Powder & Flints came out agreeable to their Invoices, which with the provisions supply'd the Detatchment, & the Rice left unpaid for at your Settlement amounts to Rupees, Nine Hundred Ninety nine, Sixty five Raes, which with the Teak Plank amounts to in the whole Rupees, Twelve Hundred & Eleven, three Quarters & Seventy Six Raes, both which we shall give your Factory due Credit for.

We are sorry to inform you, that our Honble Masters affairs here bear so ill a prospect. The Dutch with the King of Calliquilone have been at have been at [*sic*] Paru several Days, & are bringing all the Country round them to pay an obedience to Changenout; as yet Peritally holds out but as the King of Travencore's Affairs now call him to the Southward We are afraid it wont long as it is in a few days to be Attackt; The King has entirely relinquish'd the Sea Shore for the Dutch to do what they please, and one of their Ships is now at an Anchor Close in Eddava under our Flagg, where we have sent our smack to lye between her & the Shore.

We are

SIR & SIRS,
Your most Obedt. Hble Servts
CHAS. WHITEHILL.
J. SALISBURY.
THOS. LANE.

ANJENGO
NOVR. 20TH. 1739.
RECD. ℔ MUNCHUA
DECR. THE 2D. 1739.

To WM. WAKE ESQR.

CHIEF &CA. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

GENTLEMEN

This acknowledges your favour to Us of the 28th. June with Duplicate of what you wrote us, ℔ Ship Resolution the 25th. April, which ship we have received no news from since she was drove, out of the Kill in a Storm of wind that began here on the 29th. May. Altho' we have sent vessels to look for her all along the Coast

to the Eastward as Farr as Chittagon. But as the wind (tho' stormy) continued favourable for her for sometime, we still hope she may be safe in some of the Eastern Ports.

We are glad to hear the Amelia Sloop arrived you safe, she was much too small for our service in this River.

We have received from the Owners of the Ship Halifax three thousand Bombay Rupees for the Dutys on the Pepper that Ship took in at Callicutt, also thirty seven Rupees and two Quarters, of the Owners of the Moggy Brigantine on the same Account, both which Sums We shall duely bring to the Credit of Bombay Presidency.

We are

GENTLEMEN
Your most Hble Serv'ts
THOS. BR[A]DDYLL.
FRANS. RUSSEL.
JNO. FORSTON [*sic*].
W. DAVIS.
WITH [*sic*] BARWELL.
JNO. HALSEY.
WM. BUCKNALL.

FORT WILLIAM.
THE 30TH. OCTOBER 1739.
RECE'D ℔ SHIP WARWICK.
DECR. THE 3D. 1739.

To WM. WAKE ESQR.
CHIEF &CA. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

GENTLEMEN

You having delivered me an Order to carry Sundry Masts to Bombay, but my Ship being full it will be an hinderance to Me if I should meet with the Enemy so am obliged to refuse carrying of them.

I am

GENTLEMEN
Your most Humble. Servt.
RD. SHUTER.

TELLICHERRY
DECEMBR. 4TH. 1739.
RECD. FROM CAPT. SHUTER.
DECEMBR. 4TH. 1739.

To WM. WAKE ESQR.
CHIEF &CA. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

SIR & SIRS,

Since the foregoing we have thought proper to hoist our Colours on a poin. of land about Musquet Shot on this side of Eddava to prevent the Dutch from fortifying there, which by repeated advices We heard was their Intention and what would have cut off our communication with the Sea Shore.

On the 30th. Ultimo we received a very insulting Letter from the Dutch, advising us to withdraw our out Factorys, as they should pay no regard to our Colours, & that they intended to examine all Vessels coming to this Port for Warlike Stores, as it was allowable by the Laws of Nations.

We request you to be expeditious in forwarding the Enclosed Advices to the Honble President & Council of Bombay, & desire you to return this Boat loaded with what Rice She can take in, on the Honble Comps. Account.

We are

SIR & SIRS
Your very Humble Servants
CHAS. WHITEHILL.
J. SALISBURY.
THOS. LANE.

ANJENGO
DECR. YE. 2D. 1739.
RECD. ℔ MUNCHUA
DECR. THE 7TH. 1739.

To Wm. Wake Esqr.
Chief &ca. Factors at Tellicherry.

Sir & Sirs

We wrote you yesterday by a Balloon & desired your speedy forwarding of our Advices to the Presidency, as we were in hopes it would reach you in time to go by Capt. Shuter who we hear passed by this Port yesterday.

As we are in want of Rice for our Garrison, We now send you this Munchua, & desire you would load on her as much as she can take in, which with what We have, will enable us to wait the Arrival of the Bengall Shipping, but if We should not be able to procure any of them we must again trouble you for our necessary Supply.

The Dutch are drawn off from Paru, and are this day bending their March towards Cottarricarry, which if they should reduce into their Power, we fear they will not be long out of Attinga. The King has a good Body of Troops there, but we are afraid the Country will not stand firm to his interest, so that to our great concern, our Honble Master's affairs at this Settlement bear but a very indifferent Prospect.

We are

Sir & Sirs
Your very Humble Servants
Chas. Whitehill.
J. Salisbury.
Thos. Lane.

Anjengo
Decr. the 3d. 1739.

Recd. ℔. Munchua.
Decemr. the 10th. 1739.

To the Honble Richard Benyen [*sic*] Esqr.
President & Governour &ca. Council at Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

It is with the utmost Concern We are obliged to apply to your Honr. &c on the following melancholy Occasion.

Our Honble Masters Ship the Prince William, with the major part of our Fleet, under the Chief Command and Direction of Mr. Chas. Rigby, returning up the Coast, from giving Convoy to the Rose Galley, bound for Tellicherry which they Parted with to the Southward of Pidgeon's Island, On the 10th. Ulto. a little to the Norward of that Island met with a violen [*sic*] Storm, In which the Prince Willm. made such bad weather of it; as to have at one time Seven feet water in her Hold, and sprung her Foremast. The 13th. she got into Goa where three Gallivats likewise arrived that had outlived the Storm. They refitted as well as they could there and the 19th. Left Goa for Bombay, where they arrived the 1t. Inst. In all which time no news of the remainder of the Fleet, altho' Mr. Rigby had ordered their rendezvous at Goa in case of a separation: We have as yet no particular News of their Fate; but having many reasons to apprehend the worst, if they are not got down to Tellicherry, whence this will be occasionally forwarded to you, on a Certainty of the Loss. We desire therefore that on receipt of this, your Honr. &ca. will prepare & assist Us, with what Supplies of Men, Europeans Topasses & Gunners, as you can possibly spare from the Service of your Presidency to be sent hither, with all Expedition to strengthen our hands, & prevent the fatal Consequences to our National Interest in these parts from our present Situation. The means of their transport we must leave

entirely to your Hon^{r}. &c^{a}. who will doubtless consider the great streights we must be drove to, to support ourselves after so great a Diminution of our force, which was barely sufficient for its End before.

We are
BOMBAY CASTLE,
DEC^{R}. 4TH. 1739.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most humble Servants
STEPHEN LAW.
THOMAS WATERS.
JOHN GEEKIE.
THOMAS STONESTREET.
JOHN MORLEY.

REC^{D}. DEC : 12. 1739.
℔ EXPRESS BOAT.

P.S.

Please to forward y^{e}. Enclosed to the Presidency of Bengall, in the manner you shall judge the quickest & securest.

TO THE HONBLE THO^{S}. BRADDYL ESQ^{R}.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR &C^{A}. COUNCIL
AT FORT WILLIAM.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

This goes Express to advise your Hon^{r}. &c^{a}. of the following melancholy accident.

The best part of our fleet consisting of three of our Principal Vessels, with our Honble Master's Ship the Prince William, under the chief command of Captain Rigby, about the beginning of Nov^{r}. quitted their station before Gereah to Convoy the Rose Galley bound for Tellicherry part of the way down, and leaving her the 9th. of the month, something to the Southward of Pidgeons Island, returned up the Coast, And on the 10th. were taken with a violent storm, the fury of which lasted from four a Clock in the morn : to Eleven A M : The Prince William separating from the rest made such bad Weather of it as to spring her Foremast, & had at one time 7 feet water in the Hold, She got however the 13th. into Goa, w^{h}. had been appointed the Port of Rendezvous in case of a separation; there also arrived three of our Gallivats who had outlived the Storm : They left Goa the 19th. for this place where they arrived the 1st. inst. in all which time to this day we have no intelligence of the fate of the rest of our Vessels, which gives us the utmost apprehensions for their safety, Our Chief hopes of which depends on their having proceeded down to Tellicherry, in Case of their escaping the Storm which by all accounts there is reason to doubt.

And as in this uncertainty it behoves us to provide against the worst, for the Safety & Protection of our Trade and Island itself, which will be considerably distress'd & Weakned by the Loss of one or more of those Vessels, We request your Hon^{r}. &c will at all Events forward to Us by the first opportunity such assistance as your Hon^{r}. &c possibly can procure of Europeans & Topasses, or any Recruits that may strengthen Our hands in this Emergency, As such Supplies will be of great Service, in case our Vessels should be safe, Our present situation requiring all the Reinforcement procurable, as our Neighbours the Moratta's keep us in constant alarm & apprehension of an invasion, & both the Angria's are in a state of Hostility with Us, The Northern one having seized & fortify'd a small Island called Elephanta, from whence he has a Command over part of our harbour, & the Southern lately ranged up to the Northward as far as Diu head, and seems to threaten our whole trade & interest more than ever, all w^{h}. will be attended with fatal Consequences, in case of the Loss of our Vessels, & not having a timely Assistance of Force to oppose them.

The Encouragement given to the Men Listed for this place, & the most Expeditious & Convenient means of transport hither, We submit to your Hon^{r}. &c^{a}. who we do not doubt will consider the straights we are in & the Urgent occasion for this application, where our common concern for the Preservation of our Hoñble Master's Estate is deeply interested.

We are
HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Humble Servants
STEPHEN LAW.
THO^{S}. WATERS.
JN^{O}. GEEKIE.
THO^{S}. STONESTREET.
JN^{O}. MORLEY.

BOMBAY CASTLE
DEC^{R}. THE 4TH. 1739.

REC^{D}. ℔ EXPRESS BOAT.
DEC^{R}. THE 12TH. 1739.

TO WILL^{M}. WAKE ESQ^{R}.
CHIEF &C^{A}. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.
SIRS

Enclosed We send you Duplicate of our Lett^{r}. ℔ Rose Galley, & the last to you by an Express Boat dated the 23^{d}. Ultimo, also Triplicate of our Advices intended by the Emelia Sloop, now laden & waiting her Dispatch to your Place & Anjengo, but has hitherto been detained on indispensible Service at this Place.

On the 1st. Instant imported here the Prince William Cap^{t}. Langworth having left Goa the 20th. inst. whither he had repaired after the Storm, of which you must be advised to the Southward: And the three Gallivats are likewise arrived here safe: but in all this time, having no intelligence or new [*sic*] of the Remainder of our Fleet, under the command of M^{r}. Rigby we are in the utmost anxiety and Pain for their safety, and on the best information we can procure, think we have reason to despair of it if they are not proceeded down to you, as we hope & expect: But as it behoves us in such an Uncertainty to provide against the worst event, We enclose you with this Original & Duplicate of our Letters to the Presidencies of Fort S^{t}. George & Fort William (Copies of which we likewise send you) which in Case of the Fleets non arriving with you, or of the Loss of any part thereof, you are to forward with all the Dispatch you can by two Conveyances over Land for the greater safety, except you have certain intelligence of their being safe, any part of which you are instantly to return us advice.

This goes by a boat express to you, and hope to be able to send down the Emelia to you, according to our first intentions in a few days.

We are
SIRS
Your Loving Friends
STEPHEN LAW.
THO^{S}. WATERS.
JN^{O}. GEEKIE.
THO^{S}. STONESTREET.
JN^{O}. MORLEY.

BOMBAY CASTLE
DEC^{R}. THE 4TH. 1740 [*sic*].
REC^{D}. ℔ EXPRESS BOAT.
DEC^{R}. 12TH. 1740. [*sic*].

To WILLM. WAKE ESQR.
CHIEF &CA. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

SIR & SIRS

The 7th. instant we receiv'd your favour of the 2d. accompanying our Pacquet, which Boat we now dispatch to you, with our Pacquet to the Presidency of Bombay to be forwarded by her.

The Dutch & Changenaut has entirely gained a Conquest of Attinga without striking a Blow and are now at Boccata. The whole Country has made their obedience to the King of Quilone, & Venjamuttan Poola who is with them & everything is entirely Stopt arround Us.

As we hope the Europe ship will be here in thirty or forty Days, we are to beg you will send down by her a thousand Robins of Rice, as we are too apprehensive of our not being able to get any from the Bengall shipping, & we are not certain the Dutch will permit any small vessels to come to Us with Grain, but we shall see by the return of the Pingett, & if the Emelia sloop has not left you, we desire you would order the master of her to keep three or four Leagues off shore at Quilone, till she comes abreast of Anjengo, as Minheer seems to outstretch his Authority in their treatment to Us.

Since the above, we have no reason to expect any sudden change about Us, as Changenaut & Vanjamuttan will have the Country entirely in possession, till the King can disengage himself to the Southward, which there is no probability of at present, and as we are now shut out from all manner of Provisions from the other side, we are obliged to make a further request to you, if you can possibly spare us an officer with a couple of Serjeants, Corporals & twenty Men & a large Munchua Load of Rice, on whom they may come, which we shall be glad to have as soon as possible, as we have a great many reasons to believe, we shall not be able to keep free long, & altho' you send us this Munchua load we beg you'll not omitt the quantity requested by the Europe Ship.

We are
SIRS
Your most h'ble Servants
CHAS. WHITEHILL.
J. SALISBURY.
THOS. PATTLE.
THOS. LANE.

ANJENGO
DECR. THE 12TH. 1739.

DECR. THE 15TH. 1739.
REC'D BY EXPRESS BOAT.

To WILLM. WAKE ESQR.
CHIEF &CA. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

SIR & SIRS

The 14th. inst. our Balloon returned with yours of the 8th. enclosing an invoice of Forty one Bales of rice amounting to rupees Eighty eight, one quarter & five raes, & the 16th. we rece'd your Letter of the 12th. accompanying our Pacquet from the Presidency, with a Duplicate of yours of the 10 by our Munchua, which this morning arrived with Two hundred twenty five Bales of Rice, amounting to Rupees four hundred Sixty three, one Quarter, fifty five raes, & also one Candy of wax, the Cost of which Linguister has sent no account of. We shall duely credit you for the sum of Five hundred, fifty one, two Quarters, Sixty raes the amt. of the Rice, as well as for the wax when we receive the amt. thereof.

We are truly sensible of your assisting Us with every thing that is in your power, and after the arrival of the munchua Load of rice, which we requested the 12th. inst., we hope our occasions will not oblige us to be further troublesome to you, as the rice we receive turns out very dear, what with short measurage, & one Charge or other, therefore the quantity wrote for by the Europe Ship, we desire may not come, as what we have recd. & the Munchua expected, will enable Us to wait & see, if we can't supply ourselves from the Bengallers.

The thirty thousand Rupees you intend us by the Emelia, will be full sufficient, as we have, likewise an order from Bombay to supply ourselves with what Quantity of Gold we may want from the Harrington.

We are sorry to see the Cruizers not being arrived at Bombay alarms them so much, but we hope their apprehensions has been long over by the sight of them, as indeed there seems to be all the reasons in the world to expect their safety, when even the small Craft met with no Disaster.

Our affairs here seem at present at a stand, tho' nothing is in the way to oppose Changenaut &ca. coming forward; as the King, we cant find, is a coming this way, all our business is stopt, & at present we have no communication with the Peritally Country, which is now entirely in their possession, as well as the major part of Attinga & the Dutch still keep at Paru with their Forces.

We are

SIR & SIRS
Your most Hble Servants
CHAS. WHITEHILL.
J. SALISBURY.
THOS. PATTLE.
THOS. LANE.

ANJENGO
DECR. THE 18TH. 1739.
RECD. PR. BOAT
DECR. THE 24TH. 1739.

TO THE WORSHIPLL. WILLM. WAKE ESQR.
CHIEF &CA. COUNCIL AT TELLICHERRY.

WORSPLL. SIR & SIRS

Being directed to procure a Mastr. House Carpenter & Mason to be employed at your Settlement we now send you two Carpenters who are the Bearers hereof by name Nautta Vollop & Venarsee Runchure (a Mason not being procurable) to whom we have advanced five months pay being Rupees 145. one being at fourteen Rupees, and the other at fifteen Rupees ℔ Month, & to have their Provisions as Customary. We have not to add being

WORSHIPFULL SIR & SIRS
Your most Hble Servants,
JAMES HOPE.
RICHARD LYNCH.
JAMES HENRY LAMBE.

SURAT
OCTR. 30TH. 1739.
REC'D DECR. THE 26TH. 1739.

TO WILLM. WAKE ESQR.
CHIEF &CA. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

GENTLEMEN

You having delivered me an order to carry sundry masts to Bombay, but my ship being full, and an extraordinary Tonnage of Twenty three Tonns above Charter party on account of the Honble Company obliges me to put on shore here part of the Ship's Provisions, water Casks &ca. so as to have my ship in a posture of Defence, which disables me from complying with your prementioned Order.

I am

GENTLEMEN
Your most Hble Servt.
ROBT. JENKINS.

TELLICHERRY
28 DECR. 1739.
RECD. DECR. 28TH. 1739.

To Mr. Willm. Jeynson
&c^a. Factors at Tellicherry.

Sirs,

I arrived here this morning at 4 o'th Clock, and to morrow in the Forenoon I am to meet Surapaya at Mattamy, & hope to compleat the business I came upon.

On account of part of the detachment of Manuir being come hither, & the party I brought with me, we shall be in want of Rice after tomorrow wherefore the Paymaster must Issue out a sufficient Quantity of Rice for this month's Expence for the Garrison here and which order to be sent hither immediately. I am

Maddacarra
Janry. 1t. 1739/40.
12 o'th Clock A.M.
Recd. Ditto 6 P.M.

Sirs
Your Humble Servant
W. Wake.

To Willm. Wake Esqr.
Chief &c^a. Factors at Tellicherry.

Sir & Sirs

We was in expectation to have seen the Emelia sloop from Bombay before this time, but for fear the President & Council should not have sent her & our Cash being neer [*sic*] exhausted, & the continual pressing we have daily from the Government, we now dispatch the Neptune smack to you, requesting if the Emelia is not already sent, that youll send us down Eight thousand Rupees by her, as part of that you intend Us by the Emelia, & if you can conveniently spare us about five Candys of Lead & twenty Barrels of Cannon Powder, we desire you'll Load it on board the smack, & please to return her as soon as possible.

The Dutch treatment to Us very unjust & highly provoking, they pay no regard to our Factory or our Vessels, breaking into one, & searching by force of Arms the other, & to our great mortification we can do no more than protest against them for such notorious abuses.

We as yet have not seen any Bengall Shipping to purchase any rice, & hope the Munchua Load we desir'd of you, will be here in a few days. We are

Sir & Sirs
Your very Humble Servants,

Anjengo
Janry. 4th. 1739/40.
Recd. p Neptune Smack.
Decemr. 29th. 1739.

Chas. Whitehill.
J. Salisbury.
Thos. Lane.

To Willm. Wake Esqr.
Chief &c^a. Factors at Tellicherry.

Sirs,

We wrote you last by an Express Boat under Date of the 4th. Instant, since which We recd. by the Warwick Captain Shuter, & Rose Galley that imported here the 19th. following your two Letters of the 4th. preceding and the several conjoin'd Papers & Accounts.

The Emelia now proceeds according to her first Design upon which you are to make the consignement of Treasure ordered in ours of the 23d. Novr. last & forward her Dispatch to Anjengo with all possible expedition.

We approve entirely of the assistance given that Factory, & shall resupply you with the article of Gunpowder according to your request.

We are pleased with your securing of the Prince Ockow, who was entring it seems upon such false & perfidious measures against the interest of the [*sic*], which this is not the first Example of his offending against.

We observe with concern the success of the French against the Nombiers, & are surprized at the enormous expence, you write us they have incurred on occasion of this War, concerning which We have no Directions to add to what we have before wrote you in the prementioned Letter of the 23d. though we must say that if a speedy stop is not put to the Encroachments of the French the Honble Compy. will run a great risque of the best part of their Pepper Trade at your Settlement.

When you advise our Honble Masters by the annual Shipping we would have you send them Copies in the French or Portugueze translates, of the Papers which may have passed between you & the French, for their readier information.

Our Land pay Master has paid Mr. Dudley seventeen Rupees, two Quarters & forty raes on account of wages due to Lewis Venott dec'd, as also forty nine rupees, one quarter & sixteen Raes Ballance of wages due to Abraham Wright as ℔ account enclosed, which he may receive of your Paymaster with whom Mr. Dudley will account for the same.

The Haeslingfield is now on her dispatch to Great Brittain & we think of employing the Warwick Capt. Shuter whom we detain in the Country to convoy her down and bring up a certain quantity of Pepper, with the Timber & Masts you may have in readiness for this Presidency.

As we shall be in want of the materials for our marine specified in the enclosed indent, we wou'd have you provide & hold them ready for the first Conveyance, if the Sorts are not already included in those which are now lying by you.

The wages & Prize money due to Peter Butler Seaman are Rupees Thirty, three quarters, & ninety three reas & to John Baillie seaman rupees thirty six and forty four reas, which you are to pay them agreeable to the Enclosed Account.

We enclose you an account of the produce of Gold here which will answer to the end you desire it for in your last of the 4th. Instant.

We are
Your Loving Friends
Stephen Law.
Thos. Waters.
Jno. Geekie.
Thos. Stonestreet.
Jno. Morley.

Bombay Castle
Decr. the 22d. 1739.

Recd. ℔ Emelia Sloop
Janry. 7th. 1739/40.

To Willm. Wake Esqr.
Chief &ca. Factors at Tellicherry.

Sir & Sirs,

We are now to acknowledge your Letters of the 21st. past, rece'd the 1t. Inst: the 5th. reced, the 11th. & that of the 7th. by the Emelia sloop, & the Several Invoices coming out right, we have given you Credit for the Several Sums.

The Dutch Forces join'd with Changenaut still continue destroying the Country between True & Attinga & have entrenched themselves at True with about Nine hundred Men besides the Country Forces, which has put a stop to all trade that way, & indeed almost every way else; The number of vessels they have upon the Coast terrifies these people in such a manner that they have entirely quitted the Sea shore.

We return you many thanks for the readiness you have always shewn in supplying us with what we have requested, & as it is illconvent [*sic*] for your sparing us any more men, we desire youll not send them as We believe we have sufficient to defend ourselves against any thing that may oppose Us; The thousand Bales of Rice you intend Us we shall expect, as we have not been able to supply ourselves as yet.

We now enclose an Indent for some more Callicutt Teak Plank, for to make Gun Carriages, & when it is ready on your advice, we will send the Emelia Sloop up for it as well as what stores we may want after the arrival of the Europe ship when we know what is sent Us.

We send this by a Balloon & desire you'll forward the accompanying advices to the Presidency by the return of the Convoy that accompanys the Europe Ship to your Port.

We are
SIR & SIRS
Your most Hble Servants
CHAS. WHITEHILL.
THOS. LANE.
THOS. PATTLE.

ANJENGO
JANRY. 19TH. 1739/40.
RECD. ℔ EXPRESS BOAT
JANRY. 24TH. 1739/40.

TO WILLM. WAKE ESQR.
CHIEF &CA. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

SIRS

We wrote you ℔ Emelia Sloop under date of the 22d. Ultimo, since which we have received your advices of the 14th. & 15 of said months, with the accompanying Papers & Packet from Anjengo.

We observe the course of your Proceedings in regard to the disputes in your neighbourhood & the Princes expectation of being assisted with further loans of money for the support of his Forces, & we do not doubt but you have caused a proper answer to be given him, such as the repeated occasions of Complaint deserve, that he gives us of his surprizing insensibility & avarice, whilst his whole Country & authority are at Stake, which he ought not to expect that we should be at the whole charge of defending, for the sake of our concern in his Interest whilst he seems absolutely indifferent to it himself.

We shall be glad to learn as soon as may be what sort of an Accommodation or Peace has been made between the French & Nombiers; The latter gaining & securing possession of the hills of Beyrah & Poiterah, will we are afraid if the same is true, greatly affect your draughts of Pepper out of the Country on that side. On the other hand we are much surprized at the largeness of the sum you calculate their Expence on this occasion to amount, & we cannot yet think they will have obtained any advantages considerable enough to countervait [*sic*] it.

We recommend to you all possible care to get in what you can of the outstanding Pepper contracts of the last season, & give no part of them over that are by any means recoverable; If the French go on in their embroiling perplext way, it must doubtless greatly interfere with & obstruct your Provision this ensueing season.

We are well pleased with the prospect you give us of compleating the quantity of Cardamoms annually indented for, & of their being so good a sort.

You need not make any further Provision of Batavia Arrack at Cochin for the present, as we are otherwise supplied; & as it comes out so dear that way and obtained with so much difficulty, but hereafter when it can be done on proper terms it must not be omitted.

We have intimated to the Commanders that no Rupees will be accepted at your Place but new Bombay coin, or that they will be taken at such discount as that our Honble Masters may be no sufferers.

We now dispatch the Haeslingfield to you to compleat her loading at your Port, having laden on board her here two hundred ninety four Tons, thirteen Decimals; the remaining Tonnage being one hundred ninety five, eighty seven Decimals,

you are to supply in Cardamoms as many as you have got & y^e^. rest in Pepper; You will take notice too that the quantity of the Cardamoms you are to provide ag^st^. next Season is nine thousand Pounds weight.

As we have detained the Warwick Cap^t^. Shuter in the Country for the reinforcement of our Marine, on our late great Loss, we now dispatch that Ship to you in Convoy to the Haeslingfield & on her Arrival you are to take out what Stores & Consignements she has on board for your Factory, or what for Anjengo, and return her to Us without delay, in Convoy to such of our Shipping as may lie ready to embrace the benefit of it. What Plank, Timber or Masts you may have lying at your place for immediate Shipping off, lade on board of her & fill her up with Pepper in such convenient Stowage & quantity as to leave room for a proper Trim & Posture of Defence so necessary for the Service She is employ'd upon, which you will direct the Commander to maintain as he ought.

The Warwick likewise carries down Ensign Cheesborough & Seven men for the Service of Anjengo Factory. You will likewise order them to be landed at your place, the Ensign you may either send to Anjengo or retain him in lieu of the one you supplied that place with as you shall like best.

The adventure Grab goes likewise consigned to you, which we have expressly purchased on the Hoñble Company's account, to serve in the Dangerous conjunctures, we are advised our Factory at Anjengo is in; on her you are to lade & dispatch out of hand what Guns, Powder, Stores &c^a^. are sent down for that Place on the two Ships, & order the men on board her, designed thither; & as in order to spare Demmorrage we have directed the Ultimate dispatch of the Haeslingfield from your Port to great Brittain, on the Commanders engaging to touch thither in his way, you may continue the Consignement of Treasure for that Place on board, & what Powder the adventure Grab may not be able to take in, otherwise you are to send the treasure on the Grab, & make up their Supply of Powder by another opportunity. The invoices & Bills of Lading for the Consignments to you and Anjengo we now enclose you the latter to be forwarded by you to the Gentlemen there.

As soon as the Haeslingfield's loading is compleated, give the Commander his dispatches for Great Brittain from your place as usual.

We have given Cap^t^. Shuter & Cap^t^. Cooke Permission to pay money into your Cash, which you may receive giving him or them Certificates, on his or their making oath in the manner formerly directed.

We have likewise given M^r^. Stonestreet who takes Passage for Great Brittain on the Haeslingfield leave to pay money into your Cash, on his Own Account, or account of the Estate of M^r^. Nicholas Goodwin deceased, for which you are to give him Bills on Our Hoñble Masters at the Rate of two Shillings & five pence ℔ Rupee payable at Ninety days sight on his making oath of the remittance being made on the said accounts, & in case the Chief should want to pay any money for Bills home, he has y^e^. like liberty.

We send you on the Warwick a supply of two hundred thousand Rupees, which we compute will be a full supply for the [*sic*], with such supplys of stores on these Ships as you may want.

From the information Cap^t^. Shuter gave us of the Lateness of the Houghton & Duke of Lorrain in their way & dispatch for Canton we apprehend one of these Ships at Least may probably lose her passage in which Case the Harrington was ordered directly home from China, so that we have no certain Dependance on her arrival upon the Coast.

As our Gunroom has no men to spare, having lost four of their best in the Fleet, You will do well to send one or two of your Crew that are sufficiently capable to the assistance of Anjengo, as we are afraid M^r^. Croes's Age & infirmities disable him too much for his service to be depended upon.

The Packet directed for Anjengo you are to forward thither on the Adventure or by the most expeditious Conveyance that offers advising the Gentlemen withall of the probability there is of the Haeslingfield's touching there that they may be in due readiness. And the necessary on the Occasion.

We have at the Late Gov^{r}. Horne's request granted permission for the Supra Cargoes of the Mary paying in what money the [*sic*] may request into your Cash on his Account for which you may give on this Presidency to the Amount.

Should the Gentlemen at Anjengo according to our direction, in case of their service for the Adventure Grab being over, return her to you in time to save her Passage, load her with Plank & send her up thither, giving the Master orders to put off a convenient distance.

At M^{r}. George Perceivalls request We have given him liberty to pay money into your Cash upon his own Account which you are to receive giving him Bills for the same at the rate of two Shillings & five pence ℔ Rupee you tend'ring him the oath in the manner formerly directed.

Whatever Pepper the Commander may request for above his Charter Party Tonnage you may let him have it on his engaging to carry it on half Freight, for w^{h}. he must make his request in writing & do you transmit it home to the Hoñble the Court of Directors.

BOMBAY CASTLE
JAN^{RY}. 19TH. 1739/40.

REC^{D}. ℔ HAESLINGFIELD.
JAN^{RY}. 31. 1739/40.

P.S. if the Country Ships should care to touch at Goa, you may give Cap^{t}. Shuter directions in his orders to go in thither with them, & should the Padre Joseph Viceyra have any Arrack ready to ship off for this place, recommend to y^{e}. Captain to take it in on Account our Hoñble Masters.

We are SIRS,
Your Loving Friends
STEPHEN LAW.
THO^{S}. WATERS.
JN^{O}. GEEKIE.
JN^{O}. MORLEY.
W. SEDGWICK.
GEORGE DUDLEY.

TO WILL^{M}. WAKE ESQ^{R}.

SIR

The inventory of the Adventure's Stores & List of her Crew not being prepared in time to go in the Packetts, I now enclose you the same & when she sails to Anjengo pray forward them to M^{r}. Whitehill You will observe she is paid to the 11th. February except the Mate William Potts who is paid the 11th. January only, & the Vessel victualed to y^{e}. last of February. I am

BOMBAY.
JAN^{RY}. THE 21ST. 1739/40.

REC^{D}. ℔ HAESLINGFIELD
JAN: 31^{T}. 1739/40.

SIRS
Your most Humble Servant
STEPHEN LAW.

TO WILL^{M}. WAKE ESQ^{R}.
CHIEF &C^{A}. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

SIRS

Accompanying this We send You a Packett for our Hoñble Masters with one to the Chief & Factors at Anjengo, The former of which we would have you forward on the Haeslingfield from your Port, But in case she is gone, You must dispatch it without Loss of time with the other, to the Gentlemen at Anjengo with the like recommendation & if she should be gone from thence to be returned hither by the first safe Conveyance. We are

SIRS
Your Loving Friends
STEPHEN LAW.
THO^{S}. WATERS.
JN^{O}. GEEKIE.
JN^{O}. MORLEY.
GEORGE DUDLEY.

BOMBAY CASTLE.
JAN^{RY}. 27TH. 1739/40.

REC^{D}. ℔ EXPRESS BOAT.
JAN^{RY}. THE 31. 1739/40.

To WILLM. WAKE ESQR.
CHIEF &CA. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

SIR & SIRS,

The Stores Laden on board my Ship I have delivered according to your Order, & the Treasure consigned to the Chief and Factors at Anjengo, I promise to deliver according to the Tenor of my Bill of Lading. I am

SIR & SIRS
Your Most Obedt. Humble Servant
JOHN COOKE.

TELLICHERRY
FEBRY. THE 2D. 1739/40.

To WILLM. WAKE ESQR.
CHIEF &CA. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

SIR & SIRS

You having Laden on board My Ship fifteen Candys & Ten maunds of Cardamoms with five hundred Sixty five Candys Fourteen Maunds & Six Pounds of Pepper computed to be one hundred Ninety five Tons & Eighty seven Decimals, wh. with two hundred & one Tonns & thirteen Decimals received in Sundry Goods at Bombay compleats my Charter party Tonnage including Ninety three Tonns allowed for Kintlage & priviledge being in all four hundred Ninety Tons.

But finding I am able without any inconveniency to take on board One hundred Candys more of Pepper which I compute to be Thirty three Tonns, seven hundred Two Quarters & twenty four pounds, I humbly request you will please to lade it on board, & I do hereby in the part & on behalf of my owners declare such surplus Tonnage so laden shall be delivered to the Honble the Court of Directors of the united Company of Merchants of England trading to the East Indies at half Freight. I am

SIR & SIRS
Your Loving Friends
JOHN COOKE.

TELLICHERRY
FEBRY. THE 6: 1739/40.

To WILLM. WAKE ESQR.
CHIEF &CA. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

SIRS,

We wrote you under the 19th. Instant by the Haeslingfield & lately a short Letter dated the 27th. Inst. by an Express Boat, since which the Harrington importing the 28th. we are now employ'd in dispatching her with all Expedition to Great Brittain.

And on comparing the Calculate of Tonnage remaining to be compleated after her dispatch from hence, wth. that of the remains of Pepper in your Warehouse, We find that as she must want about eight hundred Candys to fill her up at Charter Party rate, You will hardly be able to supply her.

In order then to secure as far as we can the remainder of her Tonnage, We dispatch this Boat Express with the following Directions.

You are then in case the Warwick is not before the receipt of this returned from your Port with her Lading in Pepper agreeable to our Orders of the 19th. Inst. to keep a reserve of at least Eight hundred Candys for the Harrington's Demand. And likewise immediately dispatch the enclosed Letter to Anjengo, whereby we have ordered them to send up to your Place, whatever Piece Goods they may have in readiness upon the Adventure Grab, with what Pepper she may be able to take in for a further recourse towards compleating this Ship's Tonnage, In case these Orders to Anjengo can take effect in time, It being too late in the Season for the Ship to hazard touching there; You will therefore instantly perceive the expedition required in forwarding the Order thither.

By what we can collect from our latest informations & advices, We have such reason to presume the Arrival of a Ship from Great Brittain to be freighted here for China, that we are indispensibly obliged to take the best measures that we can before hand for providing a Cargo for her, & as no Pepper will be procurable to all appearance, We direct that you lay in instantly on our Hoñble Masters Account Three hundred Candys of Sandal wood & hold the same in readiness for our further Order & advise by all occasions of your progress therein.

We have recd. your Letter of the 29th. Decr. last with the Papes [*sic*] enclosed, to which we shall reply at large by another opportunity.

We are
SIRS
Your Loving Friends
STEPHEN LAW.
THOS. WATERS.
JNO. GEEKIE.
JNO. MORLEY.
W. SEDGEWICK.
GEO: DUDLEY.

BOMBAY CASTLE.
JANRY. THE 30TH. 1739/40.
RECD. ℔ EXPRESS BOAT.
FEBRY. THE 7TH. 1739/40.

To WILLM. WAKE ESQR.
CHIEF &CA. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

SIR & SIRS

This morning We recd. your Letter of the 7th. Inst. accompanying the Commands of the Presidency whose Directions we immediately set about putting in Execution & shall dispatch the Adventure Grab & Emelia Sloop with what Bales & Pepper they can take in with all possible expedition.

As We have not had an opportunity of supplying ourselves with Rice, & by the Fanny we are inform'd the Ann is past, we therefore desire you'll please to Load on board the Adventure about fifeteen hundred Robbins of Rice & the Gun Carriages that are with you, which we are much in want of, & on her Arrival here, we shall directly dispatch her again to you for to send her to Bombay as she wont be of much service here.

Yesterday the Dutch with Changenaut attack'd Attinga, & was very nigh taking it, but by a lucky Accident they were obliged to retire about half a League from them; we are in hopes of having the King here to their Assistance to day, or as we have wrote him all will be lost.

We are
SIRS & SIRS
Your most Hble Servants
CHAS. WHITEHILL.
R. RAWDON.
THOS. PATTLE.
THOS. LANE.

ANJENGO.
FEBRY. 10TH. 1739/40.
RECD. ℔ EXPRESS BOAT.
FEBRY. 16TH. 1739/40.
P.S. please to forward the accompanying Packett.

To WILLM. WAKE ESQR.
CHIEF &CA. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

SIR & SIRS

The 10th. at night we returned the Express Boat to you & agreeable to the Orders we recd. by her, we now dispatch the Adventure Grab & Amelia Sloop with what Bales & Pepper they can take in.

Can: Mds. lbs.

We have laden on the Adventure 92 Bales & 44. 15. 3. of Pepper amounting to Rupees 29018. 1. 79 as ℔ Invoice & bill of Lading inclosed, & Who we desire you will return to Us with the Gun Carriages, & about fifteen hundred Bales of Rice, as We have not been able to supply ourselves this Season wth. any from the Bengall Shipping, & as we presume they are now all past, we shall rely on your assistance for the quantity desired.

By this Conveyance Ensign Fitzpatrick comes with Sixteen Men, for the safety of the Grab, & as we have now got a few more men, you'l please to detain the Ensign & ten of your own men as ℔ List enclosed, & who has been paid to the first Instant, & for Ensign Cheeseborough, your sending him here or continueing him with you, which you most approve, as we hope our occasions wont much require him.

Immediately on the return of the Adventure we shall dispatch her to you again to follow your Orders for her going to Bombay.

We now enclose you a Copy of the Calculate of the Tonnage for You, as in all probability you may not load on the Harrington the whole Quantity we now send, when our Computation of the amount of Tonnage would be of no Service.

Your several Letters of the 31^{t}. Ultimo, 2^{d}. 4th. & 7th. Instant we have rece'd & shall give your Settlement due credit for eleven Rupees, two quarters & Eighty Raes supply'd our Balloon, for one hundred thirty Rupees, one quarter fifteen raes supply'd the Adventure with provisions and transporting our Stores & for four hundred thirty one Rupees one quarter & thirty five reas for two hundred Bales of rice we rece'd on a small Munchua.

You'll please to observe the forty nine Bales that are mark'd 1738 where the last years investment which Charges of merchandize amounts very high, as we have been obliged to charge the Customs as well as the Merchants Charges of Whitening & packing not only on the Forty nine Bales now sent on the Onslow which was not then charged.

As we are in want of Sheet Lead for the Aprons of our Guns we request you will send us one roll by the return of this Conveyance.

We are

SIR & SIRS
Your most Hble Servants.
CHA^{S}. WHITEHILL.
R. RAWDON.
THO^{S}. PATTLE.
THO^{S}. LANE.

ANJENGO.
FEB^{RY}. 13TH. 1739/40.

REC^{D}. ℔ ADVENTURE GRAB.
FEB^{RY}. THE 17TH.

To WILL^{M}. WAKE ESQ^{R}.
CHIEF &C^{A}. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

SIR & SIRS

This is by the Emelia Sloop on whom we have loaded Twenty Bales, & Nineteen Candys, sixteen maunds, nine Pounds as ℔ Invoice & bill of Lading enclosed amounting to Gallian Fanams, Thirty thousand, eight hundred Forty nine Eleven Mag^{ze}. or Rupees Five thousand Forty one, two quarters, forty five raes; The pepper bags one hundred & ten, we desire you'll please to order to be returned.

We are

SIRS & SIRS
Your most Humble Servants
CHA^{S}. WHITEHILL.
R. RAWDON.
T. PATTLE.
THO^{S}. LANE.

ANJENGO.
FEB^{RY}. 13TH. 1739/40.

REC^{D}. ℔ EMELIA SLOOP.
FEB^{RY}. 19TH. 1739/40.

To WILLM. WAKE ESQR.
CHIEF &CA. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

GENTLEMEN

As I have already taken on board at Callicutt severall masts which I am obliged to stow between Decks besides a large quantity of Plank, I cannot on any account venture to take the masts your Worship &c has tendered me, for by so doing my Ship would not be in a proper posture of defence, & on which account I cannot take in any more Goods than you have already Loaden on board.

I am
GENTLEMEN
Your most humble Servt.
RICHD. SHUTER.

TELLICHERRY.
FEBRY. 20TH. 1739/40.

To WILLM. WAKE ESQR.
CHIEF &CA. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

SIRS

Enclosed is Duplicate of ours to You of the 30th. Ultimo ℔ Express Boat, which we hope has arrived you in time for its purpose. We now dispatch to you the Harrington to compleat her Lading at your place having loaden on her here
Dec.
Tonns 245. 89. as ℔ Enclos'd Calculate. The Remainder of her Charter party
Tons decs.
Tonnage being 244. 11. you are to supply in Pepper & afford her moreover what Quantity she may be able to take in, the owners lying under Agreement to take half Freight for all Surplus Tonnage.

As we expect the Gentlemen at Anjengo will on receipt of our order of the 30th. Ult. have forwarded with all possible expedition the dispatch of the Adventure Grab with what piece Goods & Pepper she could take in to meet this Ship, we hope the same will arrive you in time to Aid this Ship's Tonnage, otherwise We must depend on your filling her up with Pepper, & what Cardamoms you may have left of the Quantity ordered, giving the Commander his last dispatches for England as soon as the Goods are on board, & as it is very important that this ship gains her Passage round the Cape this Season we most earnestly recommend to you the expediting her dispatch from your Place, within the least time from her Arrival that this is possible, taking care that he is not detained an hour longer at your Port than what is unavoidably required for compleating her Loading;

We are well pleased that you have begun to advance money on your Pepper Contracts, & must accquiesce in your condition of considering the Merchants, in case of the French advancing the price as we should be sorry to lose any of our Merchants & Dealers in that Commodity, who naturally & unavoidably will take the advantage of our Competitions with the French who alone are to Blame for enhauncing the price, to the Detriment of both Companys, & whose double & fickle proceeding in this matter we have long been sensible of.

We observe they have lately hoisted their Colours at Tannore, & begun purchases there at a disadvantagious Rate, in which tho' we do not recommend to you the intimation of their way of dealing, we must earnestly repeat our Directions for your using your best endeavours to secure all Pepper procurable, both in the Districts of Tellicherry & all other parts of the Coast within your reach, or to which you can send proper Persons, with commision to buy at the lowest price current of the Markett, for the account of our Honble Masters. We are sensible that the Price is seemingly much higher than that we get our Pepper at, by the benefit of our Settlement at Tellicherry, but when the charges come to be put on your investments there, the case is much altered, & in Effect, it is as much at least our Interest as that of our Neighbours not to let any Quantity of that Commodity slip through our hands that may be bought within any tolerable Terms, & in which

we may at least have an equal chance to profit by as our Neighbours, if therefore it can be procured on other parts of the Coast, within one hundred or One hundred & ten Rupees the Candy, we judge in our present Circumstances that the opportunity of Purchasing should not be neglected, until Receipt of the Precise Orders we expect from our hoñble masters, but at the same time all possible care must be taken that the Price be kept down at Tellicherry & not drawn by any construction into Example for the Produce of the Countrys which customarily furnish your draughts there, otherwise the damage will be much greater than the other Conveniency can possibly make amends for.

The disadvantagious prospect of your investments for the Current season has turned our thoughts towards renewing our Settlements at Onore, & as you must be well acquainted with the Change of Interests & the present Disposition of the Carnatick Government, we would have you sound the Reception of this proposal, & give us what lights you can towards its Expediency & success, advising us which may be the properest person to treat with under that Government & the best means. Your experience of their inclination to us lately may suggest to you for our putting them in practice, as we would omitt no steps that might ensure us such a footing in that commerce as may assist our provision for the Tonnage of four Ships which we apprehend will ly on our hands this ensueing season, & which the embroiled State of your Settlement & that of Anjengo affords us so uncertain a dependance on, that we are obliged to consult every other method of Supply tho' we do not doubt of your exerting your best endeavours to procure our Hoñble masters all the advantages your Settlement can afford.

We have thoroughly considered the Consequences of the late proceedings of the French & their Acquisitions in the Nombiers & Boyanore's country, which has so far advantaged their situation that we are apprehensive it must cut you off greatly of the draughts of Pepper out of the Countrys to the Southward of your Settlement & breed in time other ill consequences to the Interest of our Hoñble Masters; we shall wait your fuller advice of the Conclusion of this matter, & of the Terms obtained by the French, that we may know the better how far they will bear Protesting against, & at the same time acquaint Us whether a Remonstrance or Protest directed to the Governour of Pondicherry or the direction at Myhie immediately from hence may not have some Effect, as it will be at least a saving of the Hoñble Companys right in future; Towards this we shall require your full & particular information of the whole Process of this Business & the Series of papers that have passed betwixt you for the grounding our Procedure upon.

We cannot for our parts conjecture to what other End the French can have launched out such an unmeasur'd Expence, but for obtaining their ends which must be proportionably to the prejudice of our Hoñble masters Interest, & we therefore presume the [*sic*] will approve with us of the expence you have been at in the Obstruction of their Procedure as far as it would be sufficient.

We suppose the Dutch will so far pursue their Notions of a French Neighbourhood as to oppose effectually their getting a footing in the King of Poniture's Country.

We are very glad to observe that your Accommodation with the Canaree Government through Surapaya's mediation was in so much forwardness & hope Mr. Wake's interview with, will produce the expected good effects of a renewal of a good Correspondence & Commerce in their Country, being likewise so agreeable to our Hoñble masters Recommendation of procuring a General state of Peace & Harmony with all the Governments in these parts.

We take no further notice of your transaction with the Factory of Anjengo, than that not having the least Complaint from them about your Supply of Rice &c we conclude every thing to have been by you consulted in the Best manner for the Service & Assistance of our Hoñble Masters Interest & Affairs at that Settlement.

We have forwarded your Letter to the Chief & Factors at Surat concerning the two Carpenters sent you down from thence not without Censure for their defect of Advice.

Let it be a standing Rule with you in future immediately before the departure of any of our Honble master's Ships from your Port for Great Brittain, or anv Port whatever, to cause a regular Survey to be made of their Stores, Amunition, & Condition for Defence, & forward the Report so taken to the next Port she is Consigned to or bound for, Protesting against the Commander for all that you find short of their Charter Party appointment which you are to demand sight of, in the name of the Honble Company, for Aserting the specifick Complement required thereby, & on failure of the proper Quantities of Powder & Shot on board, You are to supply them & recover the Value.

You may receive of Capt. Jenkins what money he may tender you on the usual terms, & we enclose you a Bill of Exchange for Rupees 3450, Drawn by Mr. George Dudley on Mr. Wake payable to you, the amount of which you are to receive & bring to the Credit of this Presidency.

Provide & send up by the first safe Conveyance or as you can procure it, One hundred Candys of the best Coir Cordage of all sizes within 8 Inches, being much wanted for the use of our marine.

The Bill of Lading & Invoice enclosed specifie the Stores now consign'd you.

We are

SIRS,
Your Loving Friends.
STEPHEN LAW.
THOS. WATERS.
WM. SEDGEWICK.
GEORGE DUDLEY.
JNO. GEEKIE.
JNO. MORLEY.

BOMBAY CASTLE,
FEBRY. THE 13. 1739 /40.

RECD. ℔ HARRINGTON
FEB. 25TH. 1739/40.

TO WILLM. WAKE ESQR.
CHIEF &CA. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

SIRS,

Agreeable to our resolution in Council the 23d. Inst. I proceeded to Maddacarra in Company of Domingos Rodrigues & the Prince's Ministers I went to Mattamy, where I met Surapaya the Canaree General & delivered him the Chiefs Letter.

In conformity to your Directions, I insisted on the Honble Companys being reimbursed the charges they were at in the late war, But could only prevail on him to allow the amount of Twelve thousand Rupees, as an acknowledgement of their late General Ragonats Perfidy, of which four thousand are to be deposited in our hands & delivered the Prince on his Sending the two Elephants, One thousand Pagodas I have brought with me, & Suba Sonnays bond for payment of Eight thousand Rupees in a months time & five hundred Rupees Domingos Rodrigues promises to make good for a transfer made by Subesenoy.

Surapaya delivered me the Articles of Agreement made February 16th. 1736/7 signed by the late King & promised in a few days to obtain a Counter part signed by the Present King, excepting the alteration in the 5th. Article relating to the Adlamy enterd into our Diary under the 20th. Instant, which I delivered to him, promising that the Present designed for his King should be sent to Bednure in a few days.

The Prince's Ministers had a long Conference with Surapaya, & it was at last Agreed mutually to adhere to the former Articles enter'd into between them, & they promised in behalf of the Prince that the two Elephants abovementioned should be sent over to Mattamy, where the Canarees were to appoint People to receive them.

Enclosed is a List of what presents I made the General, some of his Principal officers & Attendants amounting to Fanams One thousand Six hundred fifty One; also an account of the expences attend^{g}. my going about this Affair amounting to Eight hundred ninety nine Fanams & an half.

I am with respect
SIRS,
Your most Hble. & most Obed^{t}. Serv^{t}.
WM. JEYNSON.

TELLICHERRY.
FEB^{RY}. 27TH. 1739/40.

To W. WAKE ESQ^{R}.
CHIEF &C^{A}. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

SIRS,

The 7th. & 10th. Inst. we received your severals of the 13th. & 15th. December with the Packets for this place & Bengall; the last we sent forward by the 1^{t}. Conveyance that offered. We are impatient for your next advices, hoping those will bring us more agreeable news, of that part of the Bombay fleet which was missing our Garrison in the present Situation of the Country about us being so extreamly weak that it puts out of our Power to send them any recruits from hence, we are however advised they will receive a large detachment from Bengall, and we agree with you that there is room to hope the missing Vessels may be safe, We return you thanks for the several other advices in your Letter and are

SIRS,
Your most Humble Servants
RICH^{D}. BENYON.
RANDALL FOKE.
AUG^{S}. BURTON.
NICH^{S}. MORSE.
WM. MONSON.

FORT ST. GEORGE.
31ST. JANUARY 1739/40

REC^{D}. 12TH. APRIL.
P^{R}. TRITON.

To WILL^{M}. WAKE ESQ^{R}.
CHIEF &C^{A}. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

SIR & SIRS

Our last was by the Adventure & Emelia, which Vessels we hope are arrived in good time with you, This is by an Express Boat from Bombay which we now dispatch to you, & desire you'll please, to forward our Accompanying Packet to the Presidency by her.

Our Honble masters Ship Haeslingfield saild from this place Early the 19th. Inst. which at present is all we have to advise, & are

SIR & SIRS
Your Very Hble Serv^{ts}.
CHA'S WHITEHILL.
ROB^{T}. RAWDON.
THO^{S}. PATTLE.

ANJENGO.
FEB^{RY}. 22^{D}. 1739/40.
REC^{D}. ℔ EXPRESS BOAT
MAR: 3^{D}. 1739/40.

To WILL^{M}. WAKE ESQ^{R}.
CHIEF &C^{A}. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

SIRS,

We wrote you last by our Honble Master's Ship the Harrington under date of the 13th. Ultimo, since which we have no advices from your Settlement.

Observing by the Amsterdam Gazetts, recd. viâ Alleppo & Bussorah, that our nation is on the Point of declaring War with Spain, Hostilities being already begun & Letters of Marque & Reprizalls issued, we think it of Consequence to our Trust to give you this earliest intimation that you may be upon your Guard at all Events, more especially as from many reasons & Circumstances it may be inferred that France may take part in the War against Great Brittain, & your Neighbourhood joined to their late measures seem to require the utmost precaution against the Designs of that Nation: for though by an Article of your Agreement in 1728 it was Stipulated in case of a War on either side to give previous notice before commencing Hostilities, we do not depend so entirely on their Observance of it, as to neglect giving you this warning.

By Private Advices, We learn that the Royall Guardian the intended ship for Bombay & China was not saild the 23d. Augt. last from Great Brittain, but was delay'd by a general Embargo, and as this date leaves us no room to think she will arrive in time to gain her Voyage to China we would have you in case of her non Arrival on the Coast before the time absolutely necessary for that End then to dispose of what Sandall wood you have been ordered the provision of, if to be done without loss otherwise reserve it till further Order from hence.

The Capture of the Portugueze Vessels off Onore by Sambajee having strengthened his sea force & enabled him to encrease it so as to keep two fleets at sea as we are advised; He has lately insulted our Port & kept off it for several Days, & on our making shift to equip what Vessels we could in order to Attack them, they retreated out of Sight at least of our Port hitherto. This probable division of his fleet we give you notice of, that you communicate it to all Parties interested, that all possible precaution may be taken in their Coming up, while we shall employ what force we have in the best manner we may to prevent his Depradations on our Trade.

We are
Sirs,
Your Loving Friends
Stephen Law.
Thos. Waters.
Jno. Geekie.
Jno. Morley.
Wm. Sedgewick.
Geo: Dudley.
Thos. Marsh.

Bombay Castle,
Mar. The 1r. 1739/40.
Recd. p Express Boat
Mar: 14. 1739/40.

To Willm. Wake Esqr.
Chief &ca. Factors at Tellicherry.

Gentlemen

The quantity of Goods I have taken in here, being Two hundred forty four Tons, Eleven Decimals compleating my Charter party Tonnage; I request you will send on board three hundred fifty Robbins of Pepper computed to be Twenty nine Tons, Twenty one Decimals, & I do hereby in the Part & on behalf of my Owners, declare such Surplus Tonnage so laden shall be delivered to the Honble the Court of Directors of the United English East India Company, or to their Order at half Freight.

I am
Gentlemen
Yr. most Hble & Obedt. Servant
Robt. Jenkins.

Tellicherry.
March. the 3d. 1739/40.

To Will^{M}. Wake Esq^{R}.
Chief &c^{A}. Factors at Tellicherry.

Sir & Sirs

On the 8th. inst. by the Adventure Grab we acknowledged the rec^{t}. of both your Letters by her & the Emelia Sloop, Duplicate of which accompanys this, & last night we rec^{d}. your of the 8th. by the Express Gallivat, w^{h}. we now return to you with a Packet for the Presidency, which you'll please to forward by her, as we presume she will reach Bombay before the Adventure Grab.

The Advices you have rec^{d}. from Bombay which you have been pleased to Communicate to Us, we shall likewise pay a due regard to by being always on our Guard.

The Emelia Sloop, as soon as the fresh Northwesters will permitt her to return from Brinjohn We shall dispatch her to you to bring the remaining four hundred Bales of Rice including the two hundred rec'd by a small Munchua to make up the number of fifeteen hundred indented for in ours of the 10th. Ult^{o}. & what Plank of ours is ready at Callicutt, please to direct it on her, or as much as she can take in.

We shall credit your Factory as you direct for the amount of one hundred thirty four rup^{s}. three Quarters, ten reas, the Charges you was at in landing & shipping the Pepper & Cloth, which Expence we suppose you have put to the foot of the invoice sent home.

As Cap^{t}. Lawrence is sailed we now return his Letter to you & are

Sir & Sirs
Your most Hble Servants
Cha^{s}. Whitehill.
Rob^{t}. Rawdon.
Tho^{s}. Pattle.
Tho^{s}. Lane.

Anjengo.
Mar: 11. 1739/40.
Rec^{D}. ℔ Express Boat
Mar: 19th. 1740.

P.S. The Warehousekeeper's Account of shipping the Gun Carriages as specified in your Let^{r}. we did not receive being omitted in the Account of Charges you sent.

To Will: Wake Esq^{R}.

Sir

Yesterday about four in the Afternoon a Munchua coming from the South to an Anchor at the mouth of the river, she had no Colours. I fired a 4 Pounder the Shot struck very near her, upon which she hoisted french Colours & went further out to sea, where our Guns could not hit her, & with the Land wind went away in the night. All is well here at present.

I am
Sir
Your most Humble Serv^{t}.
P. Fandel.

Maddacarra
Mar: the 19th. 1740.

To Will^{M}. Wake Esq^{R}.
Chief &c^{A}. Factors at Tellicherry.

Gentlemen

On the 17th. Instant I had the honour of receiving your Letter of the 12th. containing several Instructions in relation to my purchasing Pepper at Manjaceer & Onore on the Hoñble Comp^{ys}. Account, in which I bge leave to assure you that

my utmost endeavours in procuring it on the cheapest terms possible shall not be wanting, & should have hopes of securing a greater Quantity than at present if the Season was not so far spent.

The weights you have sent I have compared with those of this place, & find that a Maund comes out about twenty pound of ours, at w^h^. rate I have contracted for 30 Candys at 97^rs^. ℔ Candy, & in a day or two hope to engage for as much more, when I will make the best of my [*sic*] to Onore, where on my arrival will advise you what money I may then have occasion for, But at present shall only desire that Ten or Twelve thousand Rupees may be sent hither recommended to Senhor Antunes Branco the Portugueze new Factor who has promised to take Care of any thing you may think proper to send Me.

As one of Kempsants Gallivats have seized the Munchua that was ordered to take in the Rem^dr^. of the Rice, I have taken up two small Munchuas on Freight, belonging to Perambut Ismalee of Callicutt & have put on board them 50 Corge of 42 Ba^s^. each, w^h^. w^th^. what went on several former Munchuas makes the quant^y^. Bo^t^. 9003 Bales, but as sev^l^. of Kempsantt Vessels have been for some days past seen cruizing off this place I do not think it safe to dispatch them. The masters have rec^d^. Ten Pagodas of me, & I told him that upon the Delivery of the Rice, you w^d^. pay him the customary Freight of it, which is all the Agreement I made with him.

MANGULORE
MAR. 22^D^. 1739/40.
REC^D^. ℔ TONY.
MARCH. 24. 1740.

I am with due respect
GENTLEMEN
Y^r^. most Obed^t^. & very Hble Serv^t^.
T. PURNELL.

TO WILL^M^. WAKE ESQ^R^.
CHIEF &C^A^. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

SIR & SIRS

The 27^th^. Ultimo by the return of our Sloop we rece'd your Letter of the 24^th^. & by the adventure Grab who arrived here the 29^th^. We rece'd yours of y^e^. 25^th^.

We are surprized at so great a deficiency in the weight of Pepper ship'd on board the Adventure, as one Tellicherry Candy, Thirteen M^ds^., Thirteen Pounds, which the master imputes to be lost in the Carriage ashore, & weighing it by a single maund at a Time, as well as some small matter in starting, which we shall leave our Superiours to adjust, as they think proper with him, The nine Pound you mention to be wanting on board the Emelia, The master says they gathered best part of it up, & carried & delivered it ashore.

Our not being certain whether the whole of the Bales we sent up would be put on board the Ship, was the reason we did not Calculate the amount of Tonnage, but sent you a Copy as we had rec^d^. from Bombay. The not sending the lengths & breadths was an omission we are very sorry for.

We have rec^d^. from the Emelia sloop, four hundred Bales of rice, & from the Adventure five hundred more, but a number of the Bales are Broke, & good part of the rice run out, which the master says was as he rec'd them; for the future We beg that none but tight Robbins may be sent us, otherwise our Hoñble Masters will be sufferers by shipping off with you & landing here.

The twenty fourth the Naiques forces took from the King of Travencore Towall, which they keep & have since march'd into Cotata; The King at present has got with most of his forces into Cockolone Fort, upon which the Young Prince & Crisna Annavy immediately withdrew themselves from Attinga, & were flying with all the forces to the Southward, but meeting with some advices from the King, & our perswading them not to quit Attinga. they returned again the next day before the enemy had received any notice of it, but our affairs here in a bad situation indeed, As the Allies are making great preparations for another attack on Attinga, tho' we are not wanting to animate them the utmost we possibly can, & should they lose it, we then shall be, we may almost say our Enemies & shut out of all.

The misfortune that has attended the King to the Southward we did not apprehend when we returned Mr. Fitzpatrick, & as we have but two Officers could you with conveniency spare Mr. Cheeseborough, we should be glad of him.

In a few days we will send the Emelia sloop for the remainder of the rice, or any plank that may be ready at Callicutt.

The 3d. Inst. the French with two ships & a Grab went into Coletche, & has landed above a hundred Europeans wth. some Officers, The Dutch have five Ships wth. them & very likely Blows may ensue between them as the Dutch seem highly disgusted.

This is by the Adventure who now comes to wait your Orders for her future Guidance &

We are
SIR & SIRS
Your most Hble Servts.

CHAS. WHITEHILL.
ROBT. RAWDON.
THOS. PATTLE.
THOS. LANE.

ANJENGO
MAR: THE 8TH. 1739/40.

RECD. ℔ ADVENTURE.
MAR: 25. 1740.

To WILLM. WAKE ESQR.
CHIEF &CA. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

GENTLEMEN.

This morning arrived your Commands of the 25th. Inst. with the two sealed Chests said to contain Twelve Thousand Rupees which are Delivered with the Chiefs Letter to the Portugueze Factor Joseph Antony Branco, who has promised to take care of it & deliver it according as I may request of him.

Just as I was leaving this place on the 25th. I was informed that Hur Comity was at Bednure where he had been for some time, but as I am this day again informed that he is returned to Onore, I shall set out for that place in the morning.

The Caution you are pleased to mention in relation to the weights here is very necessary, & which I shall take due care to observe, knowing that there is a great deceit often times used in them, but as the Merchants have engaged to deliver five hundred Sixty pounds English ℔ Candy which does not amount to the price you limited, I am concern'd to find you think it will come out dear, & I have used my best endeavours to buy as cheap as possible.

The Munchua you mention belonging to Domingo Rodrigues is not yet arrived, but I do not imagine I shall want conveyances for the Eighty Candy I have contracted for when it is ready, as here is a great many small vessels to be had upon Freight after the large Munchuas will not go to sea.

Inclosed is an account of what has been supply'd People of the Boats which is all that offers at present from.

GENTLEMEN
Your most Obedt. & Humble Servt.
TS. PURNELL.

MANGULORE
MAR: THE 29TH. 1740.

To WILLM. WAKE ESQR.
CHIEF & MR. WILLM. JEYNSON FACTOR

SIRS

The day after my arrival at Callicutt I caused the ground to be lined out on wh. its proposed to build a new Factory, which according to the plan drawn by Mr. Ainsworth will amt. to Fans. 26701. 625 Decs. (notwithstandg. some of the

materials of the Old one may be again made use of) as ℔ the following Calculation, Viz^{t}.

50000 Stones at 15 Fans^{s}. ℔ Cent	7500	—
4000 Bales of Chunam	2500	—
271 Candys of Timber for the Foundations & house at 17½ Fans. ℔ Candy...	4742	625
Carpenters Sawyers, Bricklayer's & Cooleys work ...	8200	—
	26701	625

This done in obedience to your Orders I proceeded to the Companys Factory at Tannore, w^{h}. likewise wants to be rebuilt the old one being irrepareable through neglect & decay. As for the Pepper none is now to be got there the French having Can:
been there but lately before & purchased near 400 a much greater quantity than which I am informed is yearly procurable at that place. I am

TELLICHERRY
MAR: 1ST. 1740.

GENTLEMEN
Your most Obed^{t}. Hble Serv^{t}.
WILL: WEST.

To WILL. WAKE ESQ^{R}.
CHIEF &C^{A}. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

SIR & SIRS

The Emelia returned this morning from Brinjohn, we now dispatch her to you to bring the remaining 400 Bales of rice, & what Plank may be ready at Callicutt, please to direct her to take in, or as much as she can conveniently bring with her.

This day the French with three ships & a Brigantine pass'd by to the Northward & the Hollanders after them wth. six ships & three sloops, & by what we can learn, are absolutely bent to impede their settling in the King of Ponitures Country or even in Travencores tho' they did not molest their landing at Coletchy.

We now return you Ten soldiers as ℔ List enclosed, they have been paid to the 1^{t}. of this month & have had each of them a Bale of rice w^{h}. Cap^{t}. Mostyn will adjust with Cap^{t}. Gibbs. We are

ANJENGO
MAR. 15TH. 1739/40.

SIR & SIRS
Your most Hble Servants
CHA^{S}. WHITEHILL.
ROB^{T}. RAWDON.
THO^{S}. PATTLE.
THO^{S}. LANE.

REC^{D}. ℔ EMELIA SLOOP.
APRIL THE 11TH. 1740.

To WILL^{M}. WAKE ESQ^{R}.
CHIEF &C^{A}. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

SIR & SIRS

This morning imported here the Bermudas sloop, & the Calcutta Grab is now in the Offing tho' she will not be able to reach this Port to day, on account of the hard Northerly winds, on board of whom is a Captain Ensign & about Sixty soldiers for Bombay, which as we have no advices relating to them, we now send you by Boat Express the Letter from Bengall directed to you with one for the Presidency;

They will stay no longer than to take in a little water & fresh provisions, which from the tediousness of their passage they are much in want of, & will then make all possible dispatch for your Port, But as the season of the year is so far advanced & the Grab a very heavy sailer, should the strong Northerly winds accidentally prevent their reachg. you, they will we presume bear away for this Port, in wh. case we will take the men ashore & either send the Vessels to winter in Tutacarine Bay or return them to Bengall; however as we believe you have some advices concerning them we request you will inform us in what manner the Vessels may be dispos'd of, by the return of this Boat, should they not be able to reach you, as it will always be in our power to send them up to you after the rains, without being at the Expence of keeping the Vessels the whole season.

By this Boat we return you Ten more of your military as ℔ enclosed List, & will if we have an opportunity send the rest Mr. Peter Croes will likewise return to you by the Bermudas sloop who as well as the Men, have been paid to the 1st. inst., & recd. a Bale of rice each man, which Capt. Gibbs we desire with Capt. Mostyn. We are

ANJENGO
APRIL 11TH. 1740.

SIR & SIRS
Your most Hble Servants.

CHAS. WHITEHILL.
ROBT. RAWDON.
THOS. PATTLE.
THOS. LANE.

RECED. ℔ EXPRESS BOAT
APR. 20TH. 1740.

To WILL. WAKE ESQR.
CHIEF &CA. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

GENTLEMEN

We have rece'd your favours of the 23d. & 25th. December last, via Madrass, covering a Lettr. & its Duplicate from the Hoñble the President & Council at Bombay to Us.

The ill situation that Island seems to be in, & the melancholy accident of Galley & Grabs give us the utmost concern, & hath induced us to hasten the dispatch of what succours we could possibly raise, & accordingly on this Vessel, & the Bermudas sloop, we have sent them a detachment under the Command of Lieutenant Nathaniel Jacobs & Ensign John Davis & these Gentlemen are ordered to make the best of their way to your place, where they are to receive your directions for the better proceeding up to Bombay which you will please to give them accordingly or otherwise as you shall think proper.

We are to acquaint you that on the 3d. Instant our Honble masters Ship the Richmond was dispatch'd from Ingelee directly for Europe & we are advised from Madrass that the Duke of Lorrain arrived there from China the 23d. January and that the Normanton left Madrass on the 18th. and the Shaftesbury Fort St. David on the 21t. Do. for England.

We are

GENTLEMEN
Your Loving Friends & Servts.

T. BRADDYLL.
JNO. FORSTON.
WM. DAVIS.
W. BUCKNALL.

FORT WILLIAM
FEBRY. 21T. 1739/40.
RECD. VIA ANJENGO
℔ EXPRESS BOAT
APRIL THE 20TH. 1740.

To W. Wake Esq^r^.
Chief &c^a^. Factors at Tellicehrry.

Gentlemen

Inclosed is the Cost & Charges of the nine thousand & three Bales of rice formerly sent you amount^g^. to B'bay rupees, Sixteen thousand eight hundred nineteen & thirty eight reas, w^h^. should have gone by the last dispatch'd Munchuas, but I had not then accounted with the Merchants for the fifty Corge sent by them.

By the enclos'd Copy of my Lett^r^. to Gov^r^. Law from Onore, you will perceive what I have done w^th^. Hur Comity in relation to Pepper w^h^. I hope will meet w^th^. your Approval whence I shall only desire you will send hither fifteen thousand rupees on that Acc^t^. w^h^. w^th^. the Ballance remaining in my hands will enable me to advance him Ten thousand in part of the two hundred Candys to be delivered in Septemb^r^. next, & likewise pay for the hundred Candys I expect every day from Onore.

I arrived here yesterday morn^g^. & as the weather since the Change of y^e^. moon has been very rainy have not weigh'd off any Pepper but shall begin to morrow, when I will dispatch it to you as soon as possible & at present remain.

Gentlemen &c^a^.
T^s^. Purnell.

To the Honble Stephen Law Esq^r^.

Honble Sir

Being just now informed that a Conveyance from hence to Bombay will shortly offer by Shybar, I take the opportunity of addressing you, & as it relates to the honble Comp^ys^. business I presume your Hon^r^. will excuse my giving you some little Acc^t^. thereof.

I arrived here from Mangulore on the 15^th^. instant, & according to the Orders rece'd from the Gentlem^n^. at Tellicherry, apply'd to Hur Comity for Pepper, who like all other merchants, that have in these times that Commodity in their disposal, demands a very great price for it, & will not at present engage for more than One hundred Candys to be delivered at Mangulore clear of all charges, although (altho') at ninety eight Rupees ℔ Candy of Five hundred & twenty Pounds English but has promised to send thither a greater quantity if he conveniently can before the rains, when the Hoñble Comp^y^. take it or not as they please.

I have agreed w^th^. him at Eighty five rup^s^. ℔ Candy of Five hundred & twenty pounds English for two hundred Candys to be delivered here in Sep^r^. next to any ship that may be ordered to call for it, & to be advanc'd Ten thousand Rupees, w^h^. are the lowest Terms he w^d^. accept of, & is all he w^d^. Contract for; whence I shall to morrow return to Mangulore, & get in readiness Eighty five rs.
Candys I have there contracted for at 97 ℔ Candy of Five hundred sixty pounds English, & use my Endeavours to purchase a larger quantity on the cheapest Terms I can w^h^. is all I shall trouble your Hon^r^. w^th^. at present, but to beg leave to subscribe myself.

Honble Sir &c^a^.
Onore April. 10^th^. 1740. T^s^. Purnell.

To W. Wake Esq^r^.
Chief &c^a^. Factors at Tellicherry.

Sirs

We have rec^d^. your several advices of the 21^t^. Febry, 14^th^. & 21^t^. March w^th^. all Duplicates & papers in course.

We take notice of your Contracts for the Pepper of the Current year, The Terms of w^h^. we must approve of as we do not see how better could be procurable considering the embroiled & unsettled way all your Dependencies & Neighbourhood are in, but we hope the Lattitude given you for enlarging your Provision, by applying any where on the Coast, & the exertion of your best endeavours for buying up all that your natural interest in the Country you may procure you will prevent any great dissapointment in the Tonnage in expectancy for the season.

The Cardamoms of this year's provision, you observe are much worse than those of the last, & the abatement is so inconsiderable on that Account, that we shall be glad you may be able to remedy this Defect, before the demand comes on for shipping them, as the receiving of Goods beneath the musters or Standard is to be avoided as much as possible, & the Keeping up the Contracters to their Terms is so much preferable to any Compromise by Abatements. The extract from List of investment of the Quantity of this Commodity (to wit 10,000 lbs.) must Govern you, the Alteration you refer to, being a mistake here.

As the lateness of the Season allows us no Reason to presume on the timely arrival of our Honble Masters ship for China, we have given over the expectation of her, & shall send the Putchuk & Olibanum that were designed for her to Fort S^t^. George on the Prince William, who is under her dispatch for the Coast & Bay. If the Sandall Wood procured by you, is not to be got off without Loss to our Honble Masters, then you may keep it in reserve for any Demand next year, or till further Order.

The Adventure Grab mentioned in your last is not yet arrived us tho' from your Advices we daily expect her.

The small piece of Bar Gold mentioned in yours of the 14^th^. march being Assay'd by our Assay master is reported 1/4 Grain better than Standard or Touch 91¾ nearest, We observe the Terms you have disposed of it upon, w^h^. for the present are good but as the Price of Gold is now rising here, we desire you w^d^. at the opening of the season annually as occasions shall require, advise us the Price Current of it w^th^. the greatest exactness possible for the better Guidance of our Directions. For our parts we shall take care to transmit you timely from hence the most accurate Calculate of its Produce in our Mint.

We observe you have accommodated matters w^th^. the Canarees, & the Issue of the Chief's interview w^th^. Surapaya, w^h^. gives us hopes of some tranquility in future from that Quarter, as we think their last enterprize on the Mallabar Countrys must have waisted their treasure & spent their forces too much for them to renew their attacks again, for sometime at least.

We approve entirely hitherto of your management w^th^. the French, & as you are well appriz'd of their intrigueing enterprizing temper, & must judge in case of a war, will doubtless endeavour to give you all the trouble they can, by open attacks, or stirring up the Country Governm^ts^. against, you will be sufficiently on your guard against their Attempts in any shape, & whatever Expence you will necessarily to disapoint their designs by Counter-acting them or drawing off the Country Powers from their Interest as occasions shall serve. Your Exigencies will justify & warrant the Lattitude we give you to proportion your expence to such ends untill our Honble masters definitive Orders can reach you.

We shall on our coming to a resolution to resettle a Factory at Onore take into consideration the claim you mention of Vencatte Mallos & are well pleased w^th^. the encouragement you give us to try the effects of such a step; We recommend to you to keep a Vigilant watch on the French particularly w^th^. regard to any views they may have of settling any where on the Coast, as at Carwar espescially; for the present we are much alarmed at their making the advances they have done to the Canarees, as we have no great opinion of their schemes succeeding of bringing those people into their views.

With regard to the Pepper you have purchased at Callicutt & Mangulore, we must approve thereof, untill we can have a reasonable prospect of procuring a sufficiency without resorting to these Ports & paying so great a price, & we shortly

expect our Honble Masters directions for fixing a Price in these Extra Purchases. This will answer your uncertainty about the Pepper already bought in, & for the rest would have you stick as near as possible to the directions in our Lettr. 13th. Feb'ry. last, desiring that no pepper should be bought other than for our Honble Masters or transferred to private hands, but that whatsoever is so bot. be agreeable to those Orders, & as to the Difference in point of goodness, wh. breeds your doubt you must only take care to distinguish the sortments in lading on board so as they be not mixed, which is likewise in conformity to our Honble master's Directions.

We approve your employing Mr. Purnell in Default of a Covenant Servant.

We cannot supply you at present with any military Subalterns, being here in the greatest want of subjects. A few were sent to Anjengo on request from thence who proved of no service, but on our receiving any Recruits We shall not fail to supply you, in the mean time you must make the best shift you can with those you have; The Stores &ca. you write for shall be sent you on our Honble Masters Ship the Prince William who will just touch at your place to put them ashore. There is no Cloth in the Warehouse of the sorts you have indented for.

Mr. John Johnson your Serjeant Major is advanced in respect to your recommendations, but We have not at present a Man out of the Gun room to spare you, having lost our best hands in the Vessels that perishd with Mr. Rigby.

Captain Sheppard's note for 117 qr. 3 rupees had been received, & you are to receive into Cash from Mr. Wake on the late Govr. Horne's Account, the sum you mention of Rupees 5213. 1. 35 which we shall debt you for as ℔ Advice having made good the same to Mr. Horne here.

The Batavia Arrack procured at Cochin turns out generally such wretched stuff, as ℔ example espescially of the two last purchases that we desire no further provision of it from thence unless you are sure tis good.

Our marine being in great want of Canvas We would have you endeavour to procure us One hundred Bolts of Holland's Duck to be sent us up by the first Conveyance on as cheap Terms as you can

We are
SIRS
Your Loving Friends.
STEPHEN LAW
JNO. GEEKIE
JNO. MORLEY.
WILLM. SEDGEWICKE.
GEORGE DUDLEY.

BOMBAY CASTLE,
APRIL THE 20TH. 1740.

RECD. PR. POULTNEY.
APR: 20. 1740.

To WILLM. WAKE ESQR.
CHIEF &CA. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

GENTLEMEN

This goes by the Munchua Prince William which carrys three hundred & twelve Robbins of Pepper weighing Nett Seventy eight Candys eight maunds & six pounds of Five hundred & Sixty pounds ℔ Candy on account of the Honble Company, but She proving very light wth. the whole Robbins, there is Eighty eight of them started into Matts, wch. as they are well secured, I hope there will no loss in weight ensue.

On the 23d. Inst. I received a Letter from Hur Comity wherein he desired me to pay the Bearer of it Eight hundred Pagodas, & advised that his Munchua with Pepper shou'd be dispatched hither in a day or two, & as I did not advance him

anything at Onore on account of the one hundred Candys, my refusing to send this sum might possibly make him backward in sending the Pepper, whence I hope my having complied with his request will be approv'd of. The Munchua is not yet arrived but I hourly expect her. I am

GENTLEMEN
Yr. most Obedt. & Hble Servant
Ts. PURNELL.

MANGULORE
APRIL. 25TH. 1740.

The three Soldiers had their Dyet paid them to the twenty seventh instant.

RECD. ℔. MUNCHUA.
APRIL THE 27TH. 1740.

To WILL. WAKE ESQR.
CHIEF &CA. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

GENTLEMEN

This goes by the Munchua Adjuda belonging to Domingos Rodriguez wch. carrys one hundred & eight Robbins of Pepper, weighing Nett Twenty seven Candys two maunds & twelve pounds of Five hundred & Sixty pounds ℔ Candy on account of the Hoñble Company.

I am wth. respect.

GENTLEMEN
Your most Obedt. Hble Servant.
T. PURNELL.

MANGULORE
APRIL THE 26TH. 1740.
RECD. ℔ MUNCHUA
APRL. 28TH. 1740.

To WILL. WAKE ESQR.
CHIEF &CA. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

GENTLEMEN

This goes by a Munchua belonging to Hur Comity wch. arrived last night from Onore & carries two hundred & seventy four Baggs off Pepper on account of the Hoñble Company. I have taken on shore here 4 Bags which I will examine the weight of being unwilling to detain the Munchua, as her coming into the Bar & going out again will take more time than can well be spared as it is now so late. The Freight from hence is to be allowed him, & the Bags according to agreement must be paid for if you keep them, but they will come out very dear.

I have put one hundred & eight Robbins of Pepper on board the Adjuda, belonging to Domingos Rodriguez, wch. I hope will arrive wth. you in two or three days.

I am with respect.

GENTLEMEN
Yr. most Obedt. & Hble Servant
Ts. PURNELL.

MANGULORE
APL. 27. 1740.

The two Soldiers are paid their Dyet to the 28th. Instant.

RECD. ℔ MUNCHUA
APRL. 28TH. 1740.

To Will: Wake Esq^r.
Chief &c^a. Factors at Tellicherry.

Gentlemen

This goes by a small Munchua that arrived yesterday from Onore which carrys one hundred Bags of Pepper, the weight of which as well as what went yesterday Hur Comitys people that now goes on the Munchua will adjust with you at Five hundred & twenty Pounds ℔ Candy.

I am

Gentlemen
Yr. most Obed^t. & Hble Serv^t.
T^s. Purnell.

Mangulore
Apr^l. 28^th. 1740.
Rec^d. ℔ Munchua
April 28^th. 1740.

To Will: Wake Esq^r.
Chief &c^a. Factors at Tellicherry.

Gentlemen

The occasion of this dispatch is to advise you that the 3^d. instant at night anchor'd in our Road the Royall Guardian Cap^t. Henry Hoadly, but was consigned to your side, & from thence to China, we refer you to the inclosed Copy of the Captain's Letter for the reasons of his bearing away to this Place; We have by this Ship a Packet from our Honble Masters by which we are advised of the arrival of the following ships in England.

Halifax	6^th. April
Wilmington	8^th Do.
Queen Caroline	14^th. May
Lyell ... ... / Royall George ...	... ... 2^d. June
Beaufort ... ... / King William ...	... ... 9^th. Do.
Onslow	18 Do.
Prince of Wales ... / London ... .. / Prince of Orange ... / Princess Royall ... / Godolphin	... ... 12^th. July

These last left S^t. Helena the 16^th. May at which time none of their other ships were at that Island.

The Duke Cap^t. Tho^s. Hindman Commander sailed for Bencoolen the 25^th. May with orders to be sent from thence to Benjar for a loading of Pepper, but if the Deputy Gov^r. & Council should have reason to believe such a Cargo could not be procured at Borneo, they were in that case directed to consign the Ship to Tellicherry.

Our Honble masters are pleased to write us as follows, " Affairs in Europe at " present have a Warlike aspect by Spain's non compliance with the inclosed " Convention, a general Embargo has been laid on all ships, & there has been a " hot press some months past for manning three strong Squadrons w^ch. his Majesty " has fitted out to cruize in the Mediterranean, West Indies, & the English Channel; " Letters of Marque & Reprizal have also been granted, as ℔ the inclosed London " Gazette.

" Whether France may intermeddle in the present Quarrel is as yet not known " but greatly to be apprehended.

" So that you must be on your guard & take all proper previous measures for " the security of our Settlement Estate & shipping, in case a War should break out " between Us & France, & our Ships must be ordered to keep company homeward " bound.

This is in our Honble Master's Letr. to us of the 3d. August, but the 31t. last month the St. Gerant, Monsieur La Touche Commander arived at Pondicherry; She left France the 30th. October NS, and Monsieur Dumas writes our President that when that Ship came out all Europe was in perfect Tranquility.

The Defence was at the Cape the 10th. January homeward bound. We are

FORT ST. GEORGE.
THE 10TH. APRIL 1740.

GENTLEMEN
Your most Humble Servants,

RECD. ℔ PATTAMAR
APRL. THE 28TH.

RICHD. BENYON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
AUGS. BURTON.
NICH: MORSE.
WM. MONSON.
GEO: TORRIANO.

TO THE HONBLE RICHD. BENYON ESQR.
PRESIDENT & GOVR. &CA. COUNCIL OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

I yesterday received a Letter from Mr. Secretary Savage by your Order demanding my reasons for coming in here not being consigned hither, in obedience thereto I am to acquaint your Honr. &ca. that tho' I left the Downes the 9th. August, I did not reach the Cape till the 25th. of November, where I put in agreeable to my instructions for refreshment to my People. who began to fall down with the scurvy, I was necessarily detained thereby till the 8th. Decemr. when I went on board in order to proceed on my Voyage for the Mallabar Coast, but a strong NW Wind prevented my getting out till the 18th. I had not been long out, when my People began again to fall down and when I made the Island of Ceylon the 27 March I had buried Four of my own People & had Forty six of them quite useless, of Forty Soldiers I had for Bombay Six are dead, one deserted at the Cape, & the rest are in a miserable condition, & of twelve Lascars I was ordered to bring, Six are dead & the rest are down.

We fell in with the Island about 7 Leagues to the Eastward of Dundrahead, & try'd to beat it up, but the South West wind & Current so strong against us, that we found we had lost about 6 Leagues that day, whereupon I called a Consultation of all my Officers, at wch. it being considered that in the Condition we were, it wd. be impossible to gain our Passage to the Mallabar Coast, that the hands we then had were not sufficient to weigh our Anchors, should we be obliged to make use of one, or to work the Ship, & even those daily falling down, it was unanimously agreed to be absolutely necessary for the safety of the Ship, & the lives of our People to bear away for this Port, where I have buried three men since my Arrival, & am obliged to land all the Soldiers, & almost all my own people for their recovery.

FORT ST. GEORGE
APRL. THE 5TH. 1740.

PR. PATTAMAR
APRL. THE 28TH. 1740.

I am
HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Hble Servant
HENRY HOADLY.

TO WILLM. WAKE ESQR.
CHIEF &CA. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

SIRS

By a Portugueze named Andrew Corea that came in a small munchua I recd. your Lettr. dated the 22d. Instant, wherein your [*sic*] order the military and Officer to come upon the Munchua, but she being very small I have dispatch'd her with as

many of their Chestes & Lumber as she can carry, & about half the men. The rest with the Officer & his things have ordered the Portugueze to get another Munchua for, which when she has got we shall dispatch as soon as possible.

The winds & Current have been contrary these several days past, that we could not gain any to the N°.ward & at present I do not see any sign of its changing, but according to your orders will do my endeav^{r}. to gett to Callicutt till the 2^{d}. of May, but in case I do not gett there in that time, I shall bear away for Anjengo according to your orders.

The Packet that I have for this place & Bombay I would have sent them by Ensign Davis, but he not being likely to gett up under five or six days I order the Portugueze to get a man that would carry the Letters safe to you, & make all the Dispatch imaginable.

We have on board some Gunners Stores and Sundry provisions belonging to Military; left on board, likewise Four hundred Baggs of Salt Petre, that should have gone to Bombay. Please to send me orders what I must Doe with him [*sic*]. I am

THE CALCUTTA GRAB
APRIL THE 26TH. 1740.
AT TANNORE.

SIRS
Your most Humble Servant
JOHN BECKS.

REC^{D}. ℔ PATTAMAR.
APRIL. 29TH. 1740.

To WILL: WAKE ESQ^{R}.

SIR & SIRS

I give myself the hon^{r}. to Acquaint you I rec^{d}. your Lett^{r}. yesterday directed to Lieu^{t}. Nathaniel Jacobs w^{ch}. I perused as being Commanding Officer of the Detachment in his absence, who I hope is arrived at you ere now.

Agreeable to your instructions I have put half the Soldiers on board the Munchua you were pleased to send here, & have dispatchd them to Callicutt I will follow myself with the latter tomorrow, when shall be able to get another Munchua. I must beg leave to acquaint you further, there are military Stores & Provisions that must continue on board the Ketch, for want of proper Conveyance till your farther orders, I refer you to Cap^{t}. Beck for the particulars, who writes by this Pattamar.

I am
SIR & SIRS
Your most Obed^{t}. Hble Serv^{t}.
JOHN DAVIS.

TANNORE
AP^{R}. 26TH. 1740.
REC^{D}. ℔ PATTAMAR
AP^{R}. 29TH. 1740.

To WILL: WAKE ESQ^{R}.
CHIEF &C^{A}. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

SIR & SIRS

The foregoing is Duplicate of our last since when M^{r}. Croes not chusing to go on the sloop who sailed yesterday, now proceeds on this Balloon, with two men of your Detachment as ℔ List, as likewise three sent on the Bermudas sloop, who are all paid to the 1st. Inst. & have had a Bale of rice each, w^{ch}. Cap^{t}. Gibbs and Cap^{t}. Mostyn may adjust together. The remaining four are sick in the Hospital & too ill to proceed.

The Calcutta Grab meeting with a favourable Starch [*sic*] of wind passed by yesterday morng. to prevent her losing time in her way to your Port whom the Sloop will supply with water & a little fresh provisions. We are

ANJENGO
APRIL THE 13TH. 1740.
RECD. ℔ MR. CROES.
MAY THE 1T. 1740.

SIR & SIRS
Your most Humble Servants
CHAS. WHITEHILL.
ROBT. RAWDON.
THOS. PATTLE
THOS. LANE.

TO WILL: WAKE ESQR.
CHIEF &CA. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

GENTLEMEN

This goes by the Munchua Neves belonging to Domingos Raodriguez wch. carrys thirty Baggs of Onore Pepper on Account of the Honble Compy. The weight is likewise to be adjusted by Hur Comity's People as I formerly mentioned.

MANGULORE
THE 30TH. APRL. 1740.
RECD. ℔ MUNCHUA.
MAY THE 3D. 1740.

I am Gentlemen
Yr. most Obedt. & Hble Servant
Ts. PURNELL.

TO WILL: WAKE ESQR.
CHIEF &CA. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

SIRS

On the 30th. of April I recd. your second Letter dated the 25th. of Do.

In wch. you are pleased to countermand your first orders finding the Vessel is consigned to Bombay.

You order me to proceed to Callicutt wch. I shall take care to do if possible, but I presume that in case that I shou'd not be able to get no higher than Byapoor that then, I may carry the Vessel into the, River, if I find it practicable so to do; Our vessel is very broad & flat, & at present draws but eight feet water with every thing in her, & by starting the Salt water that is in the Cask we can bring her to seven feet.

But in case We should want to lighten her any thing more, a few Boats to take ashore our sails rigging & Stores & Guns, will be sufficient without meddling wth. her Salt Petre.

APRIL 30TH. 1740.
TANNORE
CALCUTTA GRAB. RECD. ℔ PATTAMAR.
MAY THE 4TH. 1740.

I am
SIRS
Your most Hble Servant
JOHN BECKY.

TO WILL: WAKE ESQR.
CHIEF &CA. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

SIRS

We have nothing to add to our last advices of the 30th. Inst. ℔ Poultney. The Prince William Capt. Langworth now proceeds to you with what Stores we could spare you for wch. Bill of Lading & Invoice come inclosed; You will naturally

consider the lateness of the season, and forward her dispatch from your place with all possible expedition.

We are
SIRS
Your Loving Friends
STEPHEN LAW.
JNO. GEEKIE.
JNO. MORLEY.
W. SEDGEWICK.
GEO: DUDLEY.

BOMBAY CASTLE.
APRIL THE 28TH. 1740.
RECD. ℔ PRINCE WILLIAM
MAY THE 5TH.

To WILLIAM WAKE ESQR.
CHIEF &CA. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

GENTLEMEN

Yesterday morning arrived your Letter of the 1st. Instant with two Toneys, by [*sic*] I recd. three Chests of Treasure containing fifeteen thousand rupees agreeable to the Invoice received therewith.

I now return one of the Toneys with the two Topasses you last sent, who have had their customary allowance to the 8th. Inst. & hope I shall be able to leave this place in three or four days in the other, whence I shall at present only subscribe my self

GENTLEMEN
Your most Obedt. & very Hble Servant
T. PURNELL.

MANGULORE
THE 6TH. MAY 1740.

The Cooleys of the Toney have recd. one Bale of Rice.
RECD. ℔ TONEY
MAY THE 8TH.

To WILLIAM WAKE ESQR.
CHIEF &CA. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

SIR & SIRS

We are now to own the receipt of both your favours of the 17th. April by the Emelia Sloop & of the 28th. by the return of our Express Boat.

By the Emelia we recd. the four hundred Bales of Rice, & the roll of sheet Lead according to Invoice, & have Credited your Settlement for the whole Amount of the Fifeteen hundred Bales, rece'd by the several Vessels, as you advise.

The Callicutt Linguister writes us the 20th. April, that the sum of Two hundred, Eleven Rupees & a half is the true cost of the Candy of wax, & the second charge you make mention of Rupees Two hundred Twenty Three, & a quarter was his mistake to you. He likewise informs us the plank we indented to you were ready but the sloop could only bring down twelve plank. The whole Seventy two plank amounting to Twelve hundred thirty two Fanams, eight Vis, at four Callicutt Fans. & a half ℔ Rupee, is Rupees two hundred seventy three three quarters, fifty five reas, wch. we have also brought into your Credit & will the first opportunity after the Rains send for it; As the Wax is charged at Four fanams, three quarters ℔ Rupee if we are wrong in charging the Timbers at four fans. & a half to the Rupee, you will please to advise us, & we will rectifie it on our Books; our reason for charge. the Timber at four fanams & a half is because what you sent early in the season is rated so.

The Dutch & Changenaut have in a manner full possession of Perittally & all to the N°.ward of us, which entirely prevents our getting any Pepper from those parts; They are very severe against any that come near us, & even threaten Death to any Cooleys that shall dare bring Pepper to us. We greatly fear this Settlement will prove little more than a burthen to our Honble Masters as the Dutch are resolv'd to spare no charge in bringing Travencore to their terms whose behaviour ever since the War began We cannot Boast of. We are

SIR & SIRS

CHA^{S}. WHITEHILL.
ROB^{T}. RAWDON.
THO^{S}. PATTLE.
THO^{S}. LANE.

ANJENGO
THE 18TH. JUNE 1740.
REC^{D}. P^{R}. PATTAMAR
JULY. THE 5TH. 1740.

TO THE WORSHIPFULL WILL: WAKE ESQ^{R}.
CHIEF &C^{A}. COUNCILL AT TELLICHERRY.

WORSHIPFULL SIR & SIRS

By the Prince William importing here the 21^{t}. of May I received the favour you did me of the 2^{d}. of that month, & hold my self much obliged by the kind part you take in my misfortune; I at first purposed to have attempted my passage to Bombay, by the latter end of this month, but when I reflected on the great charge I am intrusted with, The uncertainty of the Southward Passage a Tract unbeaten by any of the Companys ships, & in w^{ch}. I have the help of no Journals, That my people not yet fully confirm'd in the recovery of their healths might soon fall down again, & in such case besides that their not being able to work the ship, might endanger not only a second Loss of passage but expose her also an easy prey to any Enemy who should attempt her, I have for these reasons determin'd not to proceed from hence till the first of the Season for going about Zeloan, as well as that my People may be perfectly recovered, & I may comply more exactly with the Orders I received from my Hoñble Masters respecting my outward bound, to w^{ch}. in the close of your Letter you are pleased to refer me & w^{ch}. when I have an opportunity of laying them before you I hope you will think no insufficient ground for my proceeding. I am very respectfully

WORSHIPFULL SIR & SIRS
Y^{r}. most Obed^{t}. Hble Servant
HENRY HOADLY.

FORT S^{T}. GEORGE
JUNE 28TH. 1740.
REC^{D}. ℔ PATTAMAR
JULY 23^{D}. 1740.

TO WILLIAM WAKE ESQ^{R}.
CHIEF &C^{A}. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

GENTLEMEN

We have received your severals of the 28th. April, 2^{d}. 6th., & 28th. May; the Bermudas Sloop arrived here the 11th. May, the Prince William the 21st. When we have settled the Freight of the Coire by the Bermudas sloop, our President will receive it; We shall advise you the amount, & M^{r}. Wake will pay the same into your Cash.

The 12th. Inst. came in here our Hoñble Masters Ship Princess of Wales, & the 15th. came in also the Willmington, both from England; The first was designed directly for the Bay, but put in here by reason many of her men were down of the Scurvy; By the Wilmingnton [*sic*] we rec^{d}. a Packet from our Hoñble Masters, & inclosed you have a List of Eighteen Ships which arrived in England the last Season, & another List of the Ships taken up & designed for the several parts of India; The Wilmington, Princess of Wales, Bedford, Winchester, & Mountague left Portsmouth the 25th. January, & when the Company wrote us the 2^{d}. of that month, the other eleven ships were by agreement to be in the Downs the 23^{d}. & they hoped to get them away by the Beginning of Febry; but they Captains of these ships tell us,

none of the others were got down even to Gravesend when they came away, being prevented by an exceeding hard Frost which continued w^th^. Great severity when they left England; It was also apprehended there would be great difficulty in getting men & if they should succeed in that, it was doubtfull, whether they could procure protections, so that it is to be feared they will be very late.

A war with Spain was declared in form [*sic*] the end of October, above one hundred & thirty Ships of war were in Commission, & they were busy in all the Docks getting others ready, all the other Powers in Europe continued neuter when this Ships came out, & it was hoped would remain So.

Your last of the 28^th^. May the Peons delivered us the 21^t^. Inst. but the outward Cover was taken off which the Peons say was done by some Robbers on the road who took from them their money & every thing else they had of Value; The Seals & Cover of your Packet for Bombay were entire whither we shall forward it in two or three Days.

We are
GENTLEMEN
Your most Hble Servants
RICH^D^. BENYON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
NICH^S^. MORSE.
W. MONSON.
GEORGE TORRIANO.

FORT S^T^. GEORGE
THE 27^TH^. JUNE 1740.
REC^D^. P^R^. PATTAMAR
JULY THE 23^D^. 1740.

LIST OF SHIPS TAKEN UP FOR INDIA FOR THE YEAR 1740.

Ships.	Burthen	Captains.	Whither Consigned.
Wilmington	495	Leonard Maddox	Coast & Bay.
Princess of Wales	495	Walter Hoxton	Coast & Bay.
Mountague	495	Feilder Freeman	Mocha.
Bedford	490	Will^m^. Wells	S^t^. Helena & Bencoolen.
Winchester	495	Rich^d^. Pinnel	China.
Duke of Dorset	460	Tho^s^. Gilbert	China.
Princess Emelia	495	Sam^l^. Martin	China.
Dorrington	495	Rich^d^. Crab	Madeira & Coast & Bay.
Cæsar	495	Rob^t^. Cummings	Coast & Bay.
Heathcote	490	Jonath^m^. Cape	Coast & Bay.
Colchester	495	R^d^. Micklesfield J^r^.	Coast & Bay.
Princess Louisa	490	Jn^o^. Pinson	Bombay by way of Bengall.
Nottingham	498	Tho^s^. Browne	Bombay.
Halifax	490	Jn^o^. Blake	Bombay & to be Commodore.
Hardwicke	495	Jn^o^. Hallet	Bengall & Bencoolen.
Edgesbaston	495	Step. Cobham	Maddagascar Bencoolen & Benjar.

LIST OF SHIPS ARRIVED IN ENGLAND ANNO 1739—

	1739.
Hallifax	6^th^. April.
Wilmington	8^th^. D^o^.
Queen Caroline	14^th^. May.
Lyell	30^th^.
Royall George	30^th^.
Beaufort	9^th^. June.
King William	D^o^.
Onslow	18 ^h^.
Prince of Wales	12^th^. July.
London	D^o^.
Prince of Orange	D^o^.
Princess Royall	D^o^.
Godolphin	D^o^.
Wager	27^th^.
Duke of Cumberland	D^o^.
Scarborough	D^o^.
Nassau	28 August

Princess Mary arrived at Kingsale in Ireland the 24 ^h^. Aug^st^. 1739 &
At Spithead the 13^th^. Novem^r^.

To the Worshipfull Will: Wake Esq^{r}.

Worshipfull Sir

With this I have the hon^{r}. to acquaint you that I arrived here about Eleven a Clock last night where I found Serjeant Brown wth. his People upon the hill; One hour before me he arrived here & to this, present no body has troubled us yet.

We have our Colours & Tents up, and Ammunition in good Order; if this Weather holds on we are in danger of having our Ammunition spoil'd. The Tents will keep no rains off.

This hill may be defended very well if we had some Breast work; The hill is all full of small wood & Prickles, & no Water.

Please to remember to send Provisions, & some Arrack for the People & Fire wood.

Our Tiveys & Nayrs are not all arrived yet, only this morn^{g}. came about Fifteen; at present having no more to add, shall waite your farther direction & remain wth. great respect.

Andolemalla
June the 12th. 1740.
Rec^{d}. 10 a Clock a.m.

Worshipfull Sir
Yr. most Obed^{t}. Hble Servant
Christ: Bilderbeck.

To the Worshipfull Will: Wake Esq^{r}.

Worshipfull Sir

This morning I sent out a spy which informs me that the French has sent 3 large Guns to Chambroua this morn^{g}. & that they are now hard at work there; They have about 50 or 60 men in the Fort; nothing more Extraordinary is to be heard here but when there is I shall punctually advise I am &c.

Jn^{o}. Johnson.

Putena
the 13th June 1740.
Rec^{d}. D^{o}.

To the Worshipfull Will: Wake Esq^{r}.

Wor^{ll}. Sir

Last night about eight a Clock at Teremalacuna we saw some People go up hill wth. Fire in their hands, & fire two muskets; I would have sent some of our Tiveys last night & they could not go in the Dark, the roads being very bad; I this morn^{g}. sent by break of Day to see what People they were; when they came back, they brought advice that our Nayrs were there; Nothing extraordinary happened here last night.

I am

Worshipfull Sir
Yr. most Obed^{t}. Hble Servant
Christ^{r}. Bilderbeck.

Andolemalla
June the 13th. 1740.

P.S. I this moment had advice that the French has Fortified a place & put a Flag up where Cunha Nayr's people were yesterday; when I lookd out sharp, among Y^{e}. Trees, I saw a Flag up & then they fired about 6 small Arms. The Place Lies about a good Gun shot from here. 1/2 hour after Seven.
Rec^{d}. D^{o}. Die.

To the Worshipfull Will: Wake Esq^{r}.

Worshipfull Sir

Since I had the Hon^{r}. of addressing you under this date, to inform you of the French's hoisting their Colours, M^{r}. Byfeld, Cap^{t}. Fisher, & the Gunner arrived here, when the former at my request represented the situation of that place conformable to the intelligence we then had, since when Mocarra Nair has informed us, that the French intend this night to possess themselves of a Varge belonging to him, w^{h}. is about half way between the place they took this morning, & said Nairs house, but I think as it is situated in so low a place, that tis only a flying report, but still I think it is requisite to inform you of all the proceedings that come to my knowledge.

I hope you will excuse my not giving you a full description of this days proceeding as I am at present deeply concern'd in raising the Breast works, But when the Gentlemen return, I shall take the Freedom.

We have not half Quicotts &c^{a}. sufficient for the Cooleys now here, therefore humbly request you will please to order more, or else we shall be very tedious; I am informed they are at Maddacarra. I shall use the utmost of my Endeavours to put your Orders in Execution, and act in such a manner as I think is for the interest of those I have the honour to serve.

Andolemalla
June 13th. 1740.
Rec^{d}. D^{o}. Die.

I am Worshipfull Sir
Your most Obed^{t}. Hble Serv^{t}.
Christ: Bilderbeck.

To the Worshipfull Will: Wake Esq^{r}.

Worshipfull Sir

I had the hon^{r}. of receiving your fav^{r}. by Corporal Antony Simon, & immediately ordered four men from Serjeant Gunsalvez people with Corporall Simon's wth. a long Bamboo & Collers to Teremalla, & have given him the same orders according to yours; At Murracarra's house is now one Serjeant, One Corp^{ll}. & Sixteen Private men; One Corporall, & eight private men I kept here as we want People to look after the Cooleys to see them work, if not they will get in the Bushes & come at night for their Cooley. Fransico [*sic*] Souza arrived here this morning; Inclosed comes a List of necessary things we want; Please to order them to be sent.

Our work would go on very well if the Weather would favour us; I have got a Guard Room finished to Day on both sides wth. guard beds, that all our soldiers with their Arms are very dry; Please to order eight Mucquas to stay here wth. us for carrying water & other necessarys; Our Cooleys I could not keep all here, as we had not potts enough to give them to dress their Victuals; Choe is here with me: I beg you will order all Olas that are to be got, as we must have some houses made up for our Ammunition & Provisions; Our Ammunition is in very good order.

Sir I do assure you that I will always do the utmost endeavour that lies in my power for the Interest of those I have the hon^{r}. to serve.

Andolemalla
June the 14th. 1740
Rec^{d}. D^{o}. Die.

I am Worshipfull Sir
Your most Obed^{t}. Hble Serv^{t}.
Christ: Bilderbeck.

To the Worshipfull Will: Wake Esq^r.

Worshipfull Sir

This moment I had advice from Muicarra Nair that the French with about five hundred men w^th. Ammunition & Leaders are carried upon the place where the French have hoisted their Colours three days ago, & Muicarra Nair desired me to send him some assistance; I have sent him Twenty nine of his own People that were with me. We are in good order to receive any that comes to oppose us; As I have got now signalls, if any thing should happen, I shall Fire one Gun; I have no large lanthorn, but in the room of that shall make a signall w^th. some Olas or Chute w^th. fire; at present I have no more to add, but remain with great respect

Andolemalla
June the 16^th. 1740.
Rec^d. D^o. Die.

Worshipfull Sir
Yr. most Obed^t. Hble Serv^t.
Christ^r. Bilderbeck.

To the Worshipfull Will: Wake Esq^r.

Worshipfull Sir

This comes to acquaint you that the French has hoisted their Colours not much distance from here; between the two places where our Serjeant w^th. our men were first & where they are now they have cut off our communication from one to the other. That Place where they are our hill commands it.

This moment they give a discharge of their small Arms at that Place.

I have sent for Muicarra Nair to have some news of him, which as soon as I hear shall give you advice.

Please to give me Directions what I shall do, & send me my orders. They are under our guns.

I am Worshipfull Sir
Your most Obed^t. & most Hble Serv^t.
Christ: Bilderbeck.

Andolemalla
June 17^th. 1740.

P.S.
The Ground where they are belongs to Muicarra Nair.

Rec^d. D^o. Die.

To the Worshipfull Will: Wake Esq^r.

Worshipfull Sir

This moment the French Colours is put up at the place where our Serjeant with the people where first; What is become of the Nairs that guarded the place? We have heard no Arms fired.

I am Worshipfull Sir
Your most Hble & Obed^t. Servant
Christ^r. Bilderbeck.

Andolemalla
June 17^th. 1740.

P.S. I have my two Guns ready mounted, & only wait your Orders.

Rec^d. D^o. Die.

To the Worshipfull Will: Wake Esq^r^.

Worshipfull Sir

I believe there is a Party of the French marching between Ensign Bilderbeck & the hill that we are upon; I cannot see them plain.

I am Sir,
Your most Obed^t^. Hble Serv^t^.
Jn^o^. Johnson.

Putena
the 17^th^. June 1740.

To the Worshipfull Will: Wake Esq^r^.

Worshipfull Sir

I had the hon^r^. of receiving your favour w^th^. the Orders. w^h^. shall be strictly observed; accord^g^. to your orders I sent Serjeant Tulip w^th^. a Drummer to the French desiring them they would take down their Colours in one hours time; the officer that commands there is only a Corporall; he told Serjeant Tulip, that he would write to Myhie & could not take the Flag down without having orders from Myhie.

The French are about Sixteen men, & a great many Nairs; all the bushes are full of them: They begun this morn^g^. to threw up Breast work: I believe we may soon turn them from that place; We must give them no time to fortifie them; as soon as the hour is out I shall Fire, & that will make the Cooleys run away; if you please to give me orders I shall soon strike their Colours; inclosed comes an abstract of all our people & remain w^th^. great respect.

Worshipfull Sir
Your most Obed^t^. Hble Serv^t^.
Christ^r^. Bilderbeck.

Andolemalla
June y^e^. 17^th^. 1740.

To the Worshipfull Will: Wake Esq^r^.

Worshipfull Sir

This comes to advise you I have just now detach'd M^r^. Bilderbeck w^th^. 50 men, 2 Serjeants, 2 Corporalls & 1 Drum, in order to dislodge the Enemy w^th^. Calliquiloners, Moors, Nairs & Tiveys whose distance is a degree above a Blank shot right above the Part I mentioned to you within Land; As yet I have no account from Condila Nair, whose distance is above a musket shot from the French; Muicarra Nair informs me that the ground whereon the French have hoisted their Colours belongs to him.

I have not more than 3000 Musket Cartridges w^th^. two hundred fusee, all the rest being delivered out; You'll therefore please to send us a quantity of each as likewise Flints for both muskets & fusee w^th^. Wood for cooking & Mucquas to carry Ammunition for M^r^. Bilderbeck. Just now I perceive M^r^. Bilderbeck has advanced upon the French keeping a continual Fire on his march in so much they have struck their Colours & this very minute I perceive our Colours to be hoisted in their place, & they are still very hotly engag'd, therefore I beg you'll order the Ammunition to be sent us w^th^. all speed; I have now given you as full an account as time will permitt. I am

Worshipfull Sir
Your most Obed^t^. Hble Serv^t^.
Tho^s^. Fisher.

Andolemalla
June the 17^th^. 1740.
½ hour past four P.M.
Rec^d^. D^o^. Die.

To the Worshipfull Will: Wake Esq[r].

Worshipfull Sir

Herewith goes one of our Calliquiloners who was brought here wounded at the Attack; w[th]. M[r]. Bilderbeck there was a Nair wounded, but as I have not seen him I conclude he is sent another way.

M[r]. Bilderbeck & his command continue at the Place w[ch]. we took from the French this day & should be glad to have your further directions concerning them.

Candola Nair has sent to advise M[r]. Bilderbeck, of his being in peace & quietness, but hitherto M[r]. Bilderbeck informs me, he has no account what are become of Narang Port Nairs, as they have not made any appearance that way.

Andolemalla — I am Worshipfull Sir &c,
June the 17[th]. 1740. — Tho[s]. Fisher.
Rec[d]. D[o]. Die.

To the Worshipfull Will: Wake Esq[r].

Worshipfull Sir

I have both your Commands before me: I don't as yet find any Colours hoisted in Muicarra Nairs country or Condola Nairs either, but shall have a due regard if anything of that kind should happen.

The place where M[r]. Bilderbeck now is I think tis absolutely necessary for him to continue till we have a further account of the motions of the French apprehending they may make a second attempt, for I have heard they retreated to Cuna Nair's house where the French Colours are who received them very coldly, & ordered them to go directly to Myhie telling them they were men of no courage or resolution & that he himself would make a Tryal of what he could do w[th]. his Nairs; the Breastwork yo[u] make mention of shall be demolishd to morrow, or so soon as I shall find it expedient.

We have got about thirty Bales of rice, you may therefore please to order so much as you think proper, as also potts for the Nairs, Tiveys &c[a]. to boil their rice in & likewise fish. Conclude me.

Sir
Andolemalla — Your Worship's most Humble & most Obed[t]. Servant
June the 17[th]. 1740. — Tho's Fisher.
Rec[d]. June Y[e]. 18[th].
a little past 10 o th[e] Clock.

To the Worshipfull Will: Wake Esq[r].

Worshipfull Sir

As you are desirous of M[r]. Bilderbeck's return to Tellicherry for a few hours, I must request the favour youll please to send an Ensign, as I my self don't think it necessary to leave this place, neither do I think the Serjeants there are capable to be trusted till his return.

I observe the Lattitude you are pleased to give me, w[ch]. shall be used to the best of my Power and Judgement.

Since my last I have dispatched Serjeant, Tulip w[th]. four Centinels to Teremalla. I have nothing more to add but that.

I am
Andolemalla — Worshipfull Sir
June the 18[th]. 1740. — Your most Obed[t]. Hble Servant
Rec[d]. D[o]. Die. — Tho[s]. Fisher.

To the Worshipfull Will: Wake Esq^r.

Worshipfull Sir

Your commands wrote from the Linguists came to my hands at Seven this evening, & in obedience thereto shall begin early in the morn^g. to demolish the Fortifications under M^r. Bilderbeck's Command, w^ch. I shall order to return to this place as also the Serjeant whom I sent to Teremalla.

I have not as yet received any account from Cap^t. Gibbs of the third King of Cotiote's Nairs joining us to morrow; Should they do so I shall not fail of treating them w^th. all civility. The spare Arms you mention are not yet come.

I have not heard or seen any motions of the French only one Gun fired from Chambara about five a Clock, & one from the French mountain joining to Myhie a little before Seven.

Since writing the foregoing Paragraph M^r. Bilderbeck, sends me an account of Fifty hatt men being at Chatote designing to attack Condila Nairs house this very night; I shall send to acquaint Muicarra Nair w^th. this piece of news, that he may give Condila Nair immediate notice thereof.

Andolemalla
June the 18^th. 1740.
Rec^d. D^o. Die.

I am Worshipfull Sir
Your most Obed^t. Hble Serv^t.
Tho^s. Fisher.

To the Worshipfull Will: Wake Esq^r.

Worshipfull Sir

I have nothing extraordinary to report to you since last night, as I have heard nothing of any motions attempted by the French as was given out; I have sent Choe w^th. about Forty Cooleys to eraze the Fortifications at the place where M^r. Bilderbeck is, to whom I have given orders to return hither w^th. all possible Secrecy.

Choe tells me this morning he has heard by a Moor man that Cunha Nair is raising of People, as they give out to take Putina.

Youll please to order us a Hogshead of Arrack, as the last is expended, & a quantity of Olas to cover a house proper to receive the People you mentioned to me, As upon M^r. Bilderbeck's return w^th. his people, we shall want room as well for his & Cotata's people.

I am
Worshipfull Sir
Your most Obed^t. Hble Serv^t.
Tho^s. Fisher.

Andolemalla
June the 18^th. 1740.

P.S.
We are in want of Fish w^ch. please to order.

Rec^d. D^o. Die.

To the Worshipfull William Wake Esq^r.

Worshipfull Sir

Your favour came to hand this instant, and I have given the Tiveys and Nairs a strict charge to keep a good look out and likewise the two Topasses that are with them, and if they should see any party of men appear to fire a musket for a Signall, which I shall take up and make one for Moylan.

There shall not want for a good look out on my side.

I am
Worshipfull Sir
Your most Obed^t. Hble Serv^t.
John Johnson.

Putena
the 19^th. June 1740.
Rec^d. D^o. Die.

To the Worshipfull Will: Wake Esq^{R}.

Worshipfull Sir,

Your favour I received past Six & I shall send the Calliquiloners in the morning before break of day; as for Topasses I cannot spare any.

I shall be particular to send as good a Detachment as can be spared if any thing should happen at Putena.

After I have dispatched the Calliquiloners if any thing should happen in the mean time, I cannot send so good a Detachment as I would after they are gone; therefore I desire to know your pleasure in this matter as I intend to send the Calliquiloners from hence so early, as to reach Tellicherry by day break, and possibly that may be about the time of the French's design upon Ponalla, which if so will very much embarrase me in sending so good a Body as may be proper for the assistance of Putina.

I am
Worshipfull Sir
Your most Obed^{t}. Hble Servant
Tho^{s}. Fisher.

Andolemalla
June the 19th. 1740.

P. S. Please to order us some Nayrs Balls.

M^{r}. Bilderbeck came here before six a Clock.
Rec^{d}. D^{o}. Die.

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